

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO TERMINATE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0066273-01-0 and COVERAGE UNDER WPDES PERMIT No.WI-0044938-6

Permittee: PURIS Proteins LLC , 105 S Maple St, Turtle Lake, WI, 54889

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: PURIS Proteins LLC , 105 S Maple St, Turtle Lake, WI 54889

Receiving Water And Location: A stormwater drainage ditch to the South Branch Beaver Brook, located in the Beaver Brook-Apple River watershed in the St. Croix River basin in Barron County and the groundwater of the St. Croix and Lower Chippewa Basins via land application

Brief Facility Description: PURIS Proteins LLC produced protein from peas through separation and evaporation. The process by-products are stored in stainless steel silos and from there are pumped into trucks and land spread on farm fields. Steam created during the process is condensed and sent to a holding tank, where it can be reused or discharged to a stormwater drainage ditch owned by the Village of Turtle Lake.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Sheri A. Snowbank, DNR, 810 W Maple St, Spooner, WI, 54801, (715) 635-4131, Sheri.Snowbank@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Michelle BalkLudwig, 810 W. Maple St, Spooner, WI, 54801, (715)939-9034, Michelle.Balkludwig@wisconsin.gov

Reason For Termination: The facility has been closed for over a year and future plans are uncertain. When a startup date is known the permittee may reapply for WPDES permit(s). The department will be available to assist with determining the appropriate permits and applications at that time.

The Department has tentatively decided that WPDES permit No.WI-0066273 should be terminated and coverage under WPDES general permit No.WI-0044938 for Non-Contact Cooling Water, or Condensate and Boiler Blowdown be discontinued.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, or to request a public hearing, may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the above-named permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this public notice will receive a notification of the Department's final decision when the permit is issued. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination. If no comments are received on the proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit will be issued as proposed.

The Department may schedule a public informational hearing if requested by any person and shall schedule a public informational hearing if a petition requesting a hearing is received from 5 or more persons or if response to this notice indicates significant public interest pursuant to s. 283.49, Wis. Stats. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit, fact sheet and permit application, may be inspected and copied at either the above-named permit drafter's office or the above named basin engineer's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter or basin engineer for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by calling the permit drafter at (715) 635-4131 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (15 cents per page for copies and 7 cents per page for scanning) will be charged for information in the file other than the public notice, permit and fact sheet. Permit information is also available on the internet at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/PublicNotices.html>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.