

PUBLIC NOTICE
For
Air Quality Operating Permit
for Valencia Regional Landfill and Recycling Facility of Waste Management of New Mexico

Waste Management of New Mexico, Inc., at PO Box 15700; Rio Rancho, NM 87174 has submitted an air quality operating permit application to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for an air quality operating permit for its Valencia Regional Landfill and Recycling Facility (VRLRF). The owner of this plant is Waste Management of New Mexico, Inc. The exact location of the facility is at latitude 34 deg, 43 min, 29 sec N, and longitude -107 deg, 2 min, 39 sec. To aid in locating this facility, the approximate location is: from the intersection of Interstate 25 and NM Hwy 6 (Exit 203) drive 14.6 miles west on NM Hwy 6 to Mystic Mountain Road, turn south and travel 0.4-miles to the Scalehouse, then proceed approximately 5.8-miles to the site entrance. The facility is located approximately 16 miles W of Los Lunas, NM, in Valencia County. This application file has been assigned an Operating Permit Number P247LR1 and TEMPO Agency Interest ID No. 21664.

The facility was not required to obtain an air quality construction permit and is in operation. The main purpose of the facility is to dispose of municipal solid waste and approved special wastes.

This operating permit application is for a permit renewal. Per 20.2.70.401.C.(4) NMAC, this permitting action involves renewing the TV permit. The VRLRF has a design capacity in excess of 2.5 million megagrams (Mg) and 2.5 million cubic meters (m³), and is therefore subject to Federal New Source Performance Standards for Municipal Solid Waste facilities, (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart WWW), hereafter referred to as NSPS. However, the landfill's NMOC emissions rate is less than 50 Mg/yr and therefore, the VRLRF is not currently subject to gas collection and control system requirements under the NSPS rule. The application is requesting that the landfill operating hours be extended by ½ hour on Saturdays, from 5.5 hours to 6 hours.

The emissions, as established in TV Permit P247LR1, and brought forward into this permit are as follows. Parentheses note changes in emissions from previous operating permit – P247LM1. Emissions are expressed in tons per year (tpy). Non Methane Organic Compounds at 30.6 tpy (NA) for 2014; Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) at 25.5 tpy (NA); Particulate Matter (TSP-Total Suspended) at 57.4 tpy (-0.4); Particulate Matter 10 microns or less (PM10) at 15.7 tpy (-0.1); and Particulate Matter 2.5 microns or less (PM2.5) at 1.6 tpy (0).

The NMED has conducted a preliminary review of the information submitted with the permit application. This review included evaluation of the emission rates and applicable requirements to determine compliance.

The NMED has made a preliminary determination that this facility will comply with the requirements of Title 20, New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC), Chapter 2, Parts 7, 64, 70, 71, 73, and 77; 40 CFR 50; 40 CFR 60 Subpart WWW; and the New Mexico Air Quality Control Act. Therefore, the preliminary intent of NMED is to issue the air quality operating permit on or before November 23, 2014.

Interested persons may obtain the draft operating permit, submit written comments, or request a public hearing on Operating Permit Number P247LR1 by contacting Michael Space at the New Mexico Environment Department, Air Quality Bureau, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816.

Written requests for public hearing must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Comments must be based on the requirements of the applicable state and federal air quality regulations and the Clean Air Act. Comments or hearing requests must be received within 30 days after the public notice is published.

The permit application, draft permit and relevant supporting materials are currently available for review at the Air Quality Bureau, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816. The Department contact in Santa Fe is Michael Space at 505-476-4336.