

STATE OF NEVADA

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

Web posting 2/18/09

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following Notice of Proposed Action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received an application for renewal of a Groundwater Discharge Permit for a Zero-Discharge Industrial Facility, Permit NEV2000515, from the following applicant

Pioneer Americas LLC, d/b/a Olin Chlor Alkali Products P.O. Box 86 Henderson, Nevada 89009

Pioneer Americas LLC operates a manufacturing facility located at 8000 West Lake Mead Drive, Henderson, Clark County, Nevada, in the Basic Management Incorporated (BMI) Complex. The facility manufactures chlorine gas, caustic soda, hydrochloric acid, and bleach from raw salt (sodium chloride) and water. Process recyclable waters, spent raw salt (brine mud), and wastewater from the adjacent Saguaro Power Company are discharged to lined evaporation/containment impoundments. The Division has made the tentative determination to issue the proposed zero-discharge permit for a period of five (5) years.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on

March 23, 2009, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution Control 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, NV 89701-5249

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. March 23, 2009 will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date.

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If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Janine Hartley, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9458, or at jhartley@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheet for this facility are also available on the NDEP website at www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.