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NEW MEXICO WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMESION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED AMENIMENTS TO AMEND 20.6.2 NMAC – WATER QUALITY REGULATIONS, DEFINITION OF LIQUID WASTE—

The New Mexico Water Quality Commission will hold a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to Sections 20.6.2.7, 20.6.2.3105, 20.6.2.5002 and 20.6.2.5101 NMAC, beginning on May 13, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 307 at the State Capitol Building, at the corner of Paseo de Peralta and Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

The proposed amendments, docketed as WQCC 14-03 (R), remove the current numerical threshold definition of "liquid waste" from the Ground Water Regulations in conjunction with a petition to the Environmental Improvement Board to amend 20.7.3 NMAC, the Liquid Waste Regulations. That petition, docketed as EIB 14-04 (R), would amend the definition of "liquid waste" to increase the volumetric maximum limit from two thousand gallons per day or less to five thousand gallons per day or less. The New Mexico Environment Department is the proponent of the proposed amendments to the Board and to the Commission.

Both petitions and all proposed amendments may be viewed on the Department's web site at http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/gwb/NMED-GWQB-PublicNotice.htm or during regular business hours by contacting Pam Castaneda, Board and Commission Administrator, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Room S-2100, Santa Fe, New Mexico (505) 827-2425.

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 74-6-6, the Guidelines for Water Quality Control Commission Regulation Hearings, and other specific procedures that may apply. A copy of the Guidelines for Water Quality Control Commission Regulation Hearings is available on the Department's web site or may be obtained from the Commission Administrator at the address and phone number above.

All interested persons will be given a reasonable opportunity at the hearing to submit relevant evidence, data, views and arguments, orally or in writing, to introduce relevant exhibits and to examine witnesses testifying at the hearing.

Persons desiring to present technical testimony at the hearing must file with the Commission a written notice of intent. The notice of intent to present technical testimony shall:

- identify the person for whom technical testimony will be presented;
- identify each technical witness the person intends to present and state the qualifications of that witness, including a description of their education and work background;
- summarize or include a copy of the direct testimony of each technical witness;
- state the anticipated duration of the testimony of each witness;
- include the text of any recommended modifications to the proposed amendment; and
- list and describe, or attach, all exhibits anticipated to be offered by the person at the hearing.

The deadline for filing notices of intent is May 1, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. in the Commission's office. All documents filed in this matter, including notices of intent, must be filed with a single-sided original and fourteen copies.

Any person who wishes to may offer non-technical public comment at the hearing, or submit a non-technical written statement in lieu of oral testimony at or before the hearing.

If you are an individual with a disability and you require assistance or an auxiliary aid, e.g. translator or sign-language interpreter, to participate in any aspect of this process, please contact Juan-Carlos Borrego by May 1, 2014, at the New Mexico Environment Department, 1190 St. Francis Drive, P.O. Box 26110, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502, (505) 827-2844. (TDD or TTY users please access the number via the New Mexico Relay Network, Albuquerque TDD users: (505) 275-7333; outside of Albuquerque: 1-800-659-1779 (voice); TTY users: 1-800-659-8331) Copies of the proposed amendment will be available in alternative forms if requested by May 1, 2014.