

LDEQ extends comment period on Thermaldyne variance

LDEQ is extending the public comment period for the Thermaldyne feedstock variance through Oct. 22. A public hearing on the proposed draft “site specific feedstock variance from classification as a solid waste” was held Sept. 20 in Port Allen, near the site of the facility.

Thermaldyne, LLC, is seeking a site-specific variance from the classification as a solid waste in accordance with state regulations.

Thermaldyne proposes to utilize a centrifuge process and/or a thermal desorption process to reclaim the oil from Oil Bearing Hazardous Secondary Materials (OBHSM). Centrifuges will be used to initially process low-solids OBHSM, which typically consists of mostly liquid (i.e., 70% to 90%). Thermal desorption will be used to process high-solids OBHSM, which consists of mostly solids (i.e., 40% to 70%), with the remaining volume consisting of oil and water.

Written comments can be submitted via personal delivery, U.S. mail, email, or fax. Comments must be received by 4:30 p.m., Monday, Oct. 22. Delivery of comments may be made to the drop-box at 602 N. 5th St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802. U.S. Mail may be sent to LDEQ, Public Participation Group, P.O. Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313. Emails may be submitted to DEQ.PUBLICNOTICES@LA.GOV and faxes sent to (225) 219-3309. Persons wishing to receive notice of the final action on the Thermaldyne application must include a complete mailing address when submitting comments.

The variance application can be viewed in the EDMS system online at the LDEQ website, www.deq.louisiana.gov. The agency interest number (AI) is 198467.