

VA Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) has announced a public hearing and an information briefing on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality for Virginia Paving Facility located at 5601, Courtney Avenue in the City of Alexandria, Virginia. VDEQ will be taking public comments on this permit from July 24, 2008 to August 27, 2008. The Information Briefing and Public Hearing will be conducted at Samuel W. Tucker Elementary School, located at 435 Ferdinand Day Drive in the City of Alexandria on August 27, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

BACKGROUND: Virginia Paving Company has applied to VDEQ for an amendment to their minor new source review permit allowing the facility to modify and operate one of the two hot mix asphalt plants (Plant 1). The proposed amendment to the air permit would allow Virginia Paving Company to operate Plant 1 with a low NOx burner; allows both plants to use natural gas as well as recycled/waste oil and distillate fuel oil; and sets emission limits based on stack tests conducted at the facility.

HOW TO COMMENT: VDEQ accepts comments and requests for consideration by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for Board consideration must also include: 1) The reason why Board consideration is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. Board consideration may be granted if public response is significant and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

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The City of Alexandria will also post a copy of this draft permit on the "VA Paving section" of its Planning and Zoning portion of the web site.