

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. MT-19-04 January 28, 2019

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this notice is to state the Department's intention to deny renewal and terminate a wastewater discharge permit to the facility listed in this notice. This permit was issued by the Department under the authority of 75-5-402, Montana Code Annotated (MCA); the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.30.1301 *et seq.*, Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES); and Sections 402 and 303 of the Federal Clean Water Act. Copies of the termination fact sheet and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT: Columbia Falls Aluminum Company, LLC

FACILITY NAME: Columbia Falls Aluminum Company

FACILITY LOCATION: 2000 Aluminum Drive

COUNTY: Flathead

RECEIVING WATER: Flathead River

PERMIT NUMBER: MT0030066

Because of the permanent plant closure of CFAC, DEQ finds there has been a permanent elimination in the discharges controlled by the permit and intends to terminate its permit.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are invited <u>ANYTIME PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS February 27, 2019.</u> Comments may be directed to the DEQ Water Quality Division, Water Protection Bureau, PO Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620. All comments received or postmarked <u>PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS February 27, 2019</u> will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permits. If you wish to comment electronically, you may e-mail the Department at <u>DEQWPBPublicComments@mt.gov</u>.

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During the public comment period provided by the notice, the Department will accept requests for a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be in writing and must state the nature of the issue proposed to be raised in the hearing.

The Department will respond to all significant comments and issue a final decision within sixty days of this notice or as soon as possible thereafter. Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling (406) 444-5546 or by writing to the aforementioned address. The complete administrative record, including permit application and other pertinent information, is maintained at the Water Protection Bureau office in Helena and is available for review during business hours.

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