

# Public Notice: Request for Involvement

## Proposed Green Permit for Wacker Siltronic Corporation



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**Response Due Date:** March 8, 2002

### Where Can I Get More Information and Send Comments?

DEQ staff is available to discuss the application and accept inquiries and comments by mail, fax and e-mail.

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### Who is the Applicant?

Wacker Siltronic Corporation.

### Where is the Facility Located?

7200 NW Front Avenue  
Portland, OR

### How Can I Contact the Facility?

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### How Can I Review Documents?

You can review the Green Permit application at the DEQ Northwest Region Office, 2020 SW 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 400, Portland, OR 97201-4987. For a review appointment call Susan Erickson at (503) 229-5972. That document is also available on the DEQ web site at:  
[www.deq.state.or.us/programs/greenpermits](http://www.deq.state.or.us/programs/greenpermits)

### Why is this Notice Being Sent?

This notice is the first notice provided under the Green Permits program and is being sent to persons who have requested information about proposed DEQ permits in the county in which the facility is located. The purpose of the notice is to inform the public that Wacker Siltronic has applied for a Green Permit from the DEQ, and to provide the public with an opportunity to be involved in reviewing the facility's environmental performance and developing the draft Green Permit.

### What is Proposed?

Green Permits were created by the 1997 Oregon Legislature as a voluntary program to encourage regulated facilities to achieve environmental results that are significantly better than otherwise required by law. The DEQ has developed the rules and procedures for this program, with the assistance of an advisory committee comprised of regulated businesses, environmental organizations, and public citizens. The Environmental Quality Commission adopted the rules at their August 13, 1999 meeting.

The Green Permits rules require participating facilities to report on environmental performance and discuss their performance with interested stakeholders, and to consider stakeholder views in their decision-making. Wacker Siltronic has applied for a type of Green Permit called a Green Environmental Management System (GEMS) Permit. This type of Green Permit requires implementation of an environmental management system (such as ISO 14001) and a program to achieve superior environmental performance.

Facilities that meet these requirements may be eligible for incentives, such as expedited permit processing, extended permit terms, regulatory flexibility or waivers, or enforcement discretion. Program requirements and proposed incentives would be incorporated into the draft GEMS Permit. Wacker Siltronic has been assigned a team leader within DEQ to coordinate discussions on all environmental issues at the facility. As the facility meets the criteria for approval, DEQ will take final action

on issuing the Green Permit.

By this notice, the DEQ is providing an opportunity for the public to be involved in the Green Permit stakeholder involvement process for this facility. A stakeholder is defined as a person inside or outside of a facility who may have an interest in or be affected by the facility's environmental performance. Stakeholder involvement may include discussion of the facility's environmental policy, potential environmental impacts, and the environmental program designed to achieve superior performance.

### **Other Permits Required**

Wacker Siltronic currently has the following environmental permits or regulatory obligations:

- Air: State Air Contaminant Discharge Permit (ACDP) No. 26-3002
- Hazardous Waste: Large Quantity Generator, ORD096253737
- Water: City of Portland industrial wastewater discharge permit; DEQ NPDES permit No. 101128; DEQ 1200-Z stormwater NPDES permit
- Other: Required to file an annual Hazardous Substance Information Survey with the Oregon State Fire Marshal.; file annual Toxic Release Inventory Report (SARA Title 313)

Wacker Siltronic's environmental management system is ISO-14001-registered.

### **Legal Authority**

Oregon Revised Statutes, ORS 468.501 through 468.521 authorize the DEQ to issue Green Permits and to provide or seek exemptions or waivers from regulatory requirements for facilities that achieve superior results. The criteria for Green Permits are in the Oregon Administrative Rules, OAR 340-014-0100 through 340-014-0165

### **What Happens Next?**

DEQ and Wacker Siltronic will compile and maintain a contact list of persons who wish to discuss Wacker Siltronic's environmental program in more detail. During the stakeholder involvement process, people who have expressed interest will be contacted by the facility and have the opportunity to review early drafts of the Green Permit and discuss the facility's environmental management program.

The DEQ will issue another public notice for Wacker's Green Permit when the facility has met the criteria for approval of the GEMS Permit, and the final draft Permit will be available for public comment.

### **Accessibility Information**

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