

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO TERMINATE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0062839-05-0

Permittee: SW WI Dairy Goat Co-op - Mt Sterling Cheese, 505 Diagonal St, Mt. Sterling, WI, 54645

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: SW WI Dairy Goat Co-op - Mt Sterling Cheese, 505 Diagonal St., Mt. Sterling, WI

Receiving Water And Location: groundwaters of the Read and Tainter Creeks Watershed of the Lower Wisconsin River Basin located in Crawford county

Brief Facility Description : Mt. Sterling Cheese was a dairy plant owned by SW WI Dairy Goat Products Co-op that produced various food products such as cheese and butter. The facility used to generate washwaters and whey waste that was stored in a 7500 gallon above ground storage tank before being land applied on Department approved agricultural sites. However, the plant is no longer in operation and the associated WPDES permit is being terminated.

Permit Drafter's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Angela Parkhurst, 1300 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire, WI, 54701, Angela.Parkhurst@wisconsin.gov

Basin Engineer's Name, Address, Phone and Email: Michael Chang, 1300 W Clairemont Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54701, (715) 491-3639, Michael.Chang@wisconsin.gov

Reason For Termination: The SW WI Dairy Goat Co-op – Mt Sterling Cheese has closed and ceased operations. The property has also been sold.

The Department has tentatively decided that the above-specified WPDES permit should be terminated.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed permit action, or to request a public hearing, may write to the Department of Natural Resources at the above-named permit drafter's address. All comments or suggestions received no later than 30 days after the publication date of this public notice will be considered along with other information on file in making a final decision regarding the permit. Anyone providing comments in response to this public notice will receive a notification of the Department's final decision when the permit is issued. Where designated as a reviewable surface water discharge permit, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is allowed up to 90 days to submit comments or objections regarding this permit determination. If no comments are received on the proposed permit from anyone, including U.S. EPA, the permit will be issued as proposed.

The Department may schedule a public informational hearing if requested by any person and shall schedule a public informational hearing if a petition requesting a hearing is received from 5 or more persons or if response to this notice indicates significant public interest pursuant to s. 283.49, Wis. Stats. Requests for a public informational hearing shall state the following: the name and address of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the interest in the proposed permit of the person(s) requesting the hearing; the reasons for the request; and the issues proposed to be considered at the hearing.

Information on file for this permit action, including the draft permit, fact sheet and permit application, may be inspected and copied at either the above-named permit drafter's office or the above named basin engineer's office, Monday through Friday (except holidays), between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please call the permit drafter or basin engineer for directions to their office location, if necessary. Information on this permit action may also be obtained by emailing the permit drafter at Angela.Parkhurst@wisconsin.gov or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (15 cents per page for copies and 7 cents per page for scanning) will be charged for information in the file other than the public notice, permit and fact sheet. Permit information is also available on the internet at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/wastewater/PublicNotices.html>. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be made to qualified individuals upon request.

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