

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)
PLANTWIDE APPLICABILITY LIMIT (PAL) -DRAFT PERMIT
(Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 52)

Notice No. 2019/01 Permit No. PAL -VI-001/2019 Date:

Applicant/Facility: Limetree Bay Terminals, LLC and Limetree Bay Refining, LLC
1 Estate Hope, Christiansted, U.S. Virgin Islands 00820-5652

BACKGROUND/ FINDINGS: On November 26, 2018, Limetree Bay Terminals, LLC and Limetree Bay Refining, LLC (Limetree), submitted an application to the EPA Region 2 Office for a Plantwide Applicability Limit (PAL) permit pursuant to 40 CFR §52.21(aa) for its refining operations at St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. EPA determined that Limetree's PAL application was complete as of December 27, 2018. A PAL is, among other things, a pollutant-specific source-wide emissions limitation, expressed in tons per year. The PAL permit will allow Limetree the flexibility to make changes within its facility while limiting emissions increases to levels that do not trigger Prevention of Significant Deterioration permit requirements. Based on the information submitted by Limetree, EPA has made a preliminary determination to issue the draft PAL permit.

This draft PAL permit contains emission limitations for Sulfur Dioxide, Nitrogen Oxides, Volatile Organic Compounds, Carbon Monoxide, Particulate Matter, Particulate Matter 10, and Particulate Matter 2.5 and was developed in accordance with the requirements at 40 CFR §52.21(aa).

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC HEARING/APEAL PROCEDURES: The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public on EPA's preliminary determination to issue a draft PAL permit to Limetree's St. Croix plant. The public comment period will extend for forty-five (45) days from the date of this notice. A hearing will be held on November 8, 2019, at the University of the Virgin Islands, Albert A. Sheen Campus, 2 Golden Grove, Kingshill, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands 00850, from 6:30 PM to 10:00 PM. This hearing will be conducted in an orderly but expeditious manner. At the hearing, any person will be permitted to: submit oral and/or written statements concerning the draft permit; have persons present oral statements or submit written statements on their behalf; present factual information and recommendations as to an appropriate decision; and present written statements or other additional information. Speakers will be requested to limit their oral presentations or summaries of lengthier written presentations to approximately 10 minutes or such other reasonable limit that the presiding officer may designate based upon the number of speakers. While EPA cannot accommodate audio-visual presentations at the hearing, the written statements may include presentation slides, graphs, charts, etc. Cross-examination of speakers or hearing officers will not be permitted. The speaker sequence will be determined by the order in which the registration forms are received at the door. These forms will be available inside the hearing room. This hearing is open to the public. At the public hearing, any person or organization may appear on his own behalf or may be represented by counsel or by other representatives.

Anyone wishing to comment on the preliminary permit decision who cannot (or chooses not to) attend the public hearing may send written comments within forty-five (45) days from the date of this notice to EPA addressed to the contact person listed below. A transcript of the proceedings, as well as all written statements, charts, tabulations and similar data provided at the hearings will constitute a part of the hearing file, which will become part of the administrative record for this permit action. EPA will respond to comments in a document accompanying the final permit decision. We will send the notice of the final decision to each person who submitted comments with their contact information such as an e-mail or postal address or who asks to subscribe to our mailing list by providing their contact information to EPA on a sign-in sheet at the public hearing, public availability session or by mail to one of the addresses below. EPA's final permit decision will be made only after full consideration of all public comments received during the public comment period.

The administrative review procedures are described in the Consolidated Permit Regulations codified at 40 CFR Part 124. The final permit decision may be appealed administratively to the Environmental Appeals Board (EAB), within 30 days of service of notice of the decision, by persons who filed comments on the draft permit. Persons who failed to file comments either in writing or orally at the public hearing on this draft permit may petition for administrative review only to the extent of the changes from the draft to the final permit decision. If no comments were received and if EPA issued a final permit with no changes from the draft to the final permit, no administrative review will be available. Upon completion of the administrative review process (if applicable), the final permit decision will become final agency action. Those who appealed for an administrative review may petition for judicial review within 60 days of the date of the Federal Register notice announcing this final agency action. A petition to the Environmental Appeals Board is a prerequisite to seeking judicial review of EPA's final agency action on the permit pursuant to 40 CFR 124.19(l).

PUBLIC AVAILABILITY SESSION: Although not required by EPA regulations, EPA has determined that a public availability session will be held. The public availability session is an informal opportunity open to the public for you to learn about the draft PALs permit. It will also enable members of the public to make more informed official comments in writing during the public comment period and orally at the public hearing. There will be no tape or transcript of the public availability session. Statements made or questions asked at this session will not be considered as comments on the draft permit or responded to in EPA's response to comments document. Therefore, parties wishing to formally comment should do so in writing during the public comment period or at the public hearing. EPA will conduct the public availability session regarding this proposal on November 7, 2019 at the University of the Virgin Islands, Albert A. Sheen Campus, 2 Golden Grove, Kingshill, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands 00850, from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM.

The administrative record, upon which this draft permit decision is based, is open for public inspection at the following offices between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. The administrative record will also be available on EPA's website at <https://www.epa.gov/caa->

permitting/caa-permits-issued-epa-region-2. Written comments should be sent to the New York Office listed below:

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