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Re: DEC ID # 2-6101-00071/00024
GREENPOINT ENERGY CTR

Dear Applicant Agent :

Please be advised that your application for a DEC permit(s) is complete and a technical review has commenced. Notice and the opportunity for public comment is required for this application. Enclosed is a Notice of Complete Application for your project. Please have the Notice published in the newspaper identified below once during the week of 11/09/2020 on any day Monday through Friday.

NEW YORK DAILY NEWS
4 New York Plaza
New York, NY 10004

On the Notice of Complete Application, that information presented between the horizontal lines, on the enclosed page(s) should be published. Do not print this letter or the information contained below the second horizontal line. Please request the newspaper publisher to provide you with a Proof of Publication for the Notice. Upon receipt of the Proof of Publication promptly forward it to this office. You must provide the Proof of Publication before a final decision can be rendered on your application. You are responsible for paying the cost of publishing the Notice in the newspaper.

Notification of this complete application is also being provided by this Department in the NYSDEC Environmental Notice Bulletin.

This notification does not signify approval of your application for permit. Additional information may be requested from you at a future date, if deemed necessary to reach a decision on your application. Your project is classified major under the Uniform Procedures Act. Accordingly, a decision is due within 90 days of the date of this notice unless a public hearing is held, which may extend this time frame. If a public hearing is necessary, you will be notified.

If you have any questions please contact me at the above address or phone number above.

Sincerely,



Caitlyn P Nichols
Division of Environmental Permits

THIS IS NOT A PERMIT

**New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Notice of Complete Application**

Date: 11/02/2020

Applicant: The Brooklyn Union Gas Company
1 METROTECH CTR
BROOKLYN, NY 11201-3831

Facility: GREENPOINT ENERGY CTR
287 MASPETH AVE
BROOKLYN, NY 11211

Application ID: 2-6101-00071/00024

Permits(s) Applied for: 1 - Article 19 Air State Facility

Project is located: in KINGS COUNTY

Project Description:

The Department has prepared a draft permit and has made a tentative determination to issue an Air State Facility (ASF) permit to The Brooklyn Union Gas Company (doing business as National Grid) for the operation of their existing permitted Air Title V (ATV) facility, Greenpoint Energy Ctr (“Facility”), located at 287 Maspeth Avenue in Brooklyn. The Facility’s current actual emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NOx) are below the Title V major source threshold of 25 tons per year. Therefore, this application proposes to downgrade the current ATV to an ASF Permit by capping facility-wide NOx emissions to 24.9 tons per year. The Title V permit (DEC ID: 2-6101-00071/00022) will be relinquished and discontinued upon ASF issuance. With this application, the Facility also proposes to install: two (2) new Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) injection heaters, each equipped with two (2) 4.0 MMBtu/hr burners for a total of 4 burners with total capacity of 16 MMBtu/hr; and two (2) new 42.76 MMBtu/hr vaporizers be used to vaporize liquid natural gas (LNG).

The Facility currently operates three (3) 300 KW natural gas-fired engine-generators to supply electricity for LNG related equipment, two (2) 195 bhp natural gas-fired engine driven compressed natural gas (CNG) refueling compressors, and one manual paint coating line; all of which will remain unchanged. The Facility also operates several small natural gas-fired boilers and air conditioners used for comfort heating or cooling and potable hot water, all of which qualify as exempt or trivial sources under 6 NYCRR Part 201.

With this application, the two new CNG heaters will supplement natural gas supply by injecting CNG delivered by trucks as needed during periods of peak demand. Each burner will exhaust through individual stack for a total of four (4) new stacks. The two new vaporizers will exhaust through individual stacks and are proposed to meet the increased demand for natural gas and increase the Facility’s send out capacity.

As per the terms of the draft permit, facility-wide NOx emissions are capped at 24.9 tons per year, including exempt and trivial activity sources. Records demonstrating compliance with this cap will be kept in accordance with the permit specific conditions. The Facility is subject to the provisions of State Facility requirements specified under 6 NYCRR 201-7. The Air State Facility permit contains a listing of the applicable federal, state, and compliance monitoring requirements for the facility. The application, draft permit, relevant supporting materials and regulations are available for review during normal business hours at the DEC office provided in this notice.

Comments of support or objection may be made by filing a written statement by the deadline date indicated. DEC may schedule a public hearing based upon an evaluation of the nature and scope of any written objections raised. Hearing notices will contain instructions on filing for party status and submitting comments.

Availability of Application Documents:

Filed application documents, and Department draft permits where applicable, are available for inspection during normal business hours at the address of the contact person. To ensure timely service at the time of inspection, it is recommended that an appointment be made with the contact person.

State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Determination

Project is an Unlisted Action and will not have a significant impact on the environment. A Negative Declaration is on file. A coordinated review was not performed.

SEQR Lead Agency

None Designated

State Historic Preservation Act (SHPA) Determination

The proposed activity is not subject to review in accordance with SHPA. The application type is exempt and/or the project involves the continuation of an existing operational activity.

Coastal Management

This project is located in a Coastal Management area and is subject to the Waterfront Revitalization and Coastal Resources Act.

DEC Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29)

It has been determined that the proposed action is not subject to CP-29.

Availability For Public Comment

Comments on this project must be submitted in writing to the Contact Person no later than 12/11/2020 or 30 days after the publication date of this notice, whichever is later.

Contact Person

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CC List for Complete Notice

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