

Re: Domtar Roofing Products Plant  
8255 Wiggins Street, Burnaby  
(Item 16, Report No. 66, September 4, 1973)  
(Item 29, Report No. 92, December 10, 1973)  
(Item 4, Report No. 9, February 4, 1974)

At the meeting of Council on August 27, 1973, an inquiry was made about noxious odours that were discharged by the Domtar Roofing Products Plant which is located in the Big Bend Area at 8255 Wiggins Street.

The Chief Public Health Inspector on September 4, 1973, advised Council that the Air Quality Division of the Greater Vancouver Regional District was conducting an extensive study of emissions from the subject plant, and that a report of the Division's findings would be referred to Council in the future.

On December 10, 1973, Council was advised that the company had submitted an application for a permit under the Pollution Control Act 1967 (Emissions) to the Director, Pollution Control, Greater Vancouver Regional District. Council on that date also received a letter from the G.V.R.D. advising that the company had made a commitment to implement, within seven months from the placement of an order for necessary equipment, a system that would effectively measure and control emissions. Council subsequently instructed the Medical Health Officer to determine if the control equipment could possibly become operational earlier than the scheduled date.

The Medical Health Officer subsequently conferred with the Regional District who advised that "it is not possible for the control equipment to become operational earlier than the scheduled date, i.e., August, 1974".

A further inquiry on the current status of the required installation of emission control devices was made at the August 6, 1974 meeting of Council. In this regard, we have been advised by the Air Quality Division of the Greater Vancouver Regional District that the company applied to Regional authorities and received an extension of the installation date from August 1 to October 15, 1974. The official testing of emissions, after equipment installation, will be carried out from November 15 to November 30, 1974.

The request for extension of the installation date was valid by reason of the fact that the company was forced, by rising fuel costs, to embark on a more extensive installation in order to serve the original purpose of emission control and at the same time gain heat recovery.

A further report on this matter will be submitted to Council during the latter part of October.

This is for the information of Council.