

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A WISCONSIN POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (WPDES) PERMIT No.WI-0027189-07-0

Permittee: Manitowoc Public Utilities, 1303 S. 8th St., Manitowoc, WI 54221-1090

Facility Where Discharge Occurs: Manitowoc Public Utilities, 701 Columbus Street, Manitowoc, WI

Receiving Water and Location: Manitowoc Public Utilities discharges to Lake Michigan via three outfalls, which are located on the east side of the Power Plant

Brief Facility Description and Summary of Proposed Changes: Manitowoc Public Utilities (MPU) is a municipal electric utility, steam utility, broadband utility, and water utility serving the citizens of Manitowoc, Wisconsin. The facility uses Lake Michigan as its source of non-contact cooling water for the Power Plant and for the raw water supply to the Water Plant which are supplied by a common system. The facility discharges boiler blow down, floor drainage, sanitary wastes, demineralizer wastes, and low-volume wastes to the sanitary sewer system.

The draft permit includes review of thermal discharges and operation of the cooling water intake structure.

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

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 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, 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 the permit drafter's or 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 calling the permit drafter at (608) 266-1198 or by writing to the Department. Reasonable costs (usually 20 cents per page) will be charged for copies of 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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