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Notification of the publication of a draft air pollution permit

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The Environment Agency publishes a notice under <u>paragraph 47(2) of the General Law on the</u> Environment (KeÜS) (since 01.01.2017, formerly PARAGRAPH 78(1)).

The Environment Agency reports that a draft air pollution permit has been prepared by Saarioinen Eesti Osaühing (registry code: <u>10000372</u>) (address Rebastemäe tee 1, Kalev village, Rapla Municipality, Rapla County, 79606).

The main activity of the installation is the production of ready-to-eat meals (EMTAK 10851), while the secondary activity for which an air pollution permit has been granted is the supply of steam and air conditioning (EMTAK 35301). The address of the production area is Rebastemäe tee 1, Kalev village, the municipality of Rapla, County Rapla, 79606; the cadastral identification number is 66904:001:0166.

1. The nearest protected natural object is the ALU word Park (CLO1200297), which is approximately 0,5 km from the north-east.

2. The main activity of the installation is the production of ready-to-eat meals (EMTAK 10851), while the additional activities for which an air pollution permit has been granted are steam and air conditioning supply (EMTAK 35301). The installation's emissions originate from two boilers (2,3 MW and 3,0 MW). Up to 520 thousand m3 of natural gas and up to 300 tonnes of shale oil per year are used in production. The installation wishes to amend the current air pollution permit No L.V/319140 due to the introduction of natural gas.

The decision on the need for an environmental impact assessment is laid down in the environmental impact assessment and Management system Act ("KeHJS"). Under paragraph 3(1), point 1, of the KeHJS, an environmental impact assessment is to be carried out if the authorisation or amendment is sought and the proposed activity which is the reason for the authorisation or amendment is expected to have significant effects on the environment. Under paragraph 11(3) of the KeHJS, in the case of the activities referred to in paragraph 6(1) of the KeHJS, an environmental impact assessment ("EIA") of the proposed activity is to be initiated without justification for that need. Under paragraphs 61(3), 11(2) and (4) of the KeHJS, in the case of the activities in the sectors referred to in paragraph 6(2) of the KeHJS and those referred to in paragraph 6 (21) of the KeHJS, an ex ante assessment and a decision on whether or not to initiate an EIA must be made. The list of paragraph 6(2) of the KeHJS is specified, pursuant to paragraph 6(4) of the KeHJS, by Decree No 224 of the Government of the Republic of 29.08.2005, entitled "list of the sectors of activity for which a preliminary assessment of the need for an environmental impact assessment must be carried out" ("Decree No 224").

Saarioinen Eesti Osaühing's activities are not included in the list of activities referred to in paragraph 6(1) of the KeHJS and do not fall within the activities referred to in paragraph 6 (21) of the KeHJS, so that the initiation of an EIA is not necessary.

The main activity of the installation is the production of ready-to-eat meals, an additional activity requiring an air pollution permit being the supply of steam and air conditioned. Under paragraph 6(1) and (2) of the Law on environmental impact assessment and management systems and paragraph 2(1) of Decree No 224 of the Government of the Republic of 29.08.2005, entitled "list of activities for which a preliminary assessment of the need for an environmental impact assessment must be carried out", the preliminary assessment of the need for an environmental impact assessment must be carried out as the construction (erection) or extension of a thermal power plant or other combustion plant and the production of electricity or heat where the total thermal input of the combustion plants has a rated thermal input of between 50 and 299 megawatts. Saarioinen Eesti Oesühingu's total thermal input has a rated thermal input of 5.3 MWth, so there is no need to carry out a preliminary assessment of the need for an environmental impact assessment.

The nearest Natura 2000 network area (Ridaküla nature reserve, environmental registry code CLO2000197) is approximately 5 km from the production area of Saarioinen Eesti Osaühing, while the nearest nature reserve (ALU Lough Park, environmental registry code CLO1200297) is approximately 0,5 km away. Saarioinen Eesti Okogu's activities are local in scope and do not extend beyond the location of the activities. The circumstances in which Saarioinen would threaten the conservation objectives of protected sites alone or in combination with other activities, or would adversely affect sites of Natura 2000 or protected natural sites, if the emissions of air pollutants from the emission sources of the Estonian Overseas Association were below the permitted limit values are not known (paragraph 15(8) of Regulation No 224). There are no restrictions on natural sites as a result of the air pollution permit.

The drafts and other relevant documents can be consulted at the Office of the Environment Agency for the Western Region Rapla (Tallinna mnt 14 79513 Raplas; tel 680 7438) and in the public document register of the Environment Agency for the <u>http://dhs-ADR kea.envir.ee/.</u>

Proposals and objections may be submitted orally or in writing to the e-mail address info@keskkonnaamet.ee or to the postal address Tallinna mnt 14, PK 5, 79513 Rapla within two weeks of the publication of the notice in the official publication Ametlikud Teadaanded.

The Environment Agency proposes to consider the case without holding a public hearing.

Documents

- 1. Draft authorisation
- 2. Draft order

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