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## **Public Comment Period Begins**

### **BFI- International Disposal Corporation of CA (Newby Island Landfill) Gets Preliminary OK for Title V Permit**

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District has made a preliminary decision to grant a Title V permit to BFI - International Disposal Corporation of CA, for the Newby Island Sanitary Landfill and its non-retail gas dispensing facility, located at 1601 Dixon Landing Road, in Milpitas. This facility is owned and operated by Browning – Ferris Industries of California, Inc (BFI), a subsidiary of Allied Waste Industries, Inc. The Newby Island Sanitary Landfill is an active municipal solid waste disposal site. It occupies approximately 342 acres.

The public comment period is from May 19, 2003 until June 23, 2003. During the public comment period, any member of the public may comment on any aspect of the proposed permit. A copy of the proposed permit can be found:

- 1) At the Milpitas Main Library, located at 40 N. Milpitas Blvd., and at the Alviso Library, P.O. Box1060, Alviso,
- 2) On the Air District web site at [www.baaqmd.gov](http://www.baaqmd.gov) (follow the Title V links),
- 3) At the Air District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco. For an appointment call May Leung at (415) 749-4729.
- 4) For a hard copy of the permits, call the Public Information Office at (415) 749-4900 or write to: BAAQMD, Attn: Title V Permit Request, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109.

### **What is Title V?**

Title V is part of the 1990 amendments to the Clean Air Act, and requires all state and local governments to develop and implement operating permits for all major pollution emitting facilities. The EPA oversees these permit programs and the Air District is charged with implementing them in the Bay Area, in accordance with Federal guidelines.

Title V is intended to clarify the complex air quality permitting process by consolidating the multitude of federal, state, and local air pollution control regulations into one summary operating permit that covers all aspects of a facility's year-to-year air pollution activities. The Title V operating permit program is implemented under Air District Regulation 2, Rule 6. Public comment is important to the Title V process. A final decision will incorporate consideration of public comments on the proposal.

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