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Determination of NonSignificance

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Lead Agency: Department of Ecology

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Description of Proposal: SDS Lumber Company is an existing lumber manufacturing facility with multiple existing emissions units. This proposal is for the modification of two existing lumber drying kilns. Kiln No.3 is an 88-foot-long single-track kiln with a capacity of 120,000 board-feet of lumber per charge. Kiln No.4 is an 88-foot-long double-track kiln with a capacity of 242,000 board-feet of lumber per charge or batch. The modification is to increase throughput for its existing Kiln No.3 and Kiln No.4, alter the percentages of wood species processed by the two kilns, and lower the operating temperature of both kilns.

Applicant: SDS Lumber Company, contact: Vernon Buchanan, (509) 493-2155, vernb@sdslumber.com

Location of Proposal: Located at 123 Industrial Rd, Bingen, WA 98605

The lead agency for this proposal, the Department of Ecology, has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency.

The kilns are operated by up-to-date software and technology, including computers and programable logic control, to control the lumber drying process. This process meets the presumptive best available control technology (BACT) requirements for volatile organic compound (VOC), particulate matter, and toxic air pollutant (TAP) emissions.

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- ☐ There is no comment period for this DNS.
- ☐ This DNS is issued after using the optional process in WAC [197-11-355](#). There is no further comment period on the DNS.
- ☒ This DNS is issued under WAC [197-11-340](#)(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 33 days from the date of issuance. **Comments must be submitted by September 9, 2025.**

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