

WAC 173-400-114 Requirements for replacement or substantial alteration of emission control technology at an existing stationary source. (1) Any **person** proposing to replace or substantially alter the **emission** control technology installed on an existing **stationary source** or **emission unit** shall file a **notice of construction application** with the appropriate **authority**, or with **ecology** in areas or for **sources** over which **ecology** has jurisdiction. Replacement or substantial alteration of control technology does not include routine maintenance, repair or similar parts replacement.

(2) A project to replace or substantially alter emission control technology at an existing stationary source that results in an increase in emissions of any air contaminant is subject to new source review as provided in WAC 173-400-110. For any other project to replace or significantly alter control technology the permitting **authority** may:

(a) Require that the owner or operator employ **RACT** for the affected **emission unit**;

(b) Prescribe reasonable operation and maintenance conditions for the control equipment; and

(c) Prescribe other requirements as authorized by chapter 70.94 RCW.

(3) Within thirty days of receipt of a **notice of construction application** under this section **ecology** or the **authority** shall either notify the applicant in writing that the application is complete or notify the applicant in writing of all additional information necessary to complete the application. Within thirty days of receipt of a complete **notice of construction application** under this section **ecology** or the **authority** shall either issue an **order of approval** or a proposed **RACT** determination for the proposed project.

(4) Construction shall not "**commence**," as defined in WAC 173-400-030, on a project subject to review under this section until **ecology** or the **authority** issues a final **order of approval**. However, any **notice of construction application** filed under this section shall be deemed to be approved without conditions if **ecology** or the **authority** takes no action within thirty days of receipt of a complete **notice of construction application**.

(5) Approval to replace or substantially alter **emission** control technology shall become invalid if construction is not **commenced** within eighteen months after receipt of such approval, if construction is discontinued for a period of eighteen months or more, or if construction is not completed within a reasonable time. **Ecology** or the **authority** may extend the eighteen-month period upon a satisfactory showing that an extension is justified. This provision does not apply to the time period between construction of the approved phases of a phased construction project; each phase must commence construction within eighteen months of the projected and approved commencement date.

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