



March 28, 2016

City of McCleary Public Works
100 S 3rd Street
McCleary, Washington 98557

**Re: SEPA Checklist – Atlas Sawdust Bin
Simpson Door Company, McCleary, Washington**

To Whom It May Concern,

SLR International Corporation (SLR) has been retained by Simpson Door Company (Simpson) to assist with the permitting of a proposed project at the facility located at 400 Simpson Avenue in McCleary, Washington. The proposed project involves a modification to an existing sawdust collection system that will eliminate the need for the open loading of sawdust through the existing truck loading bin. Under this proposed plan, the sawdust from the dust collection system will be captured in the Atlas Sawdust Bin and then will be directly loaded into fully enclosed truck trailers through an enclosed system. The intent of the project is to reduce the fugitive dust emissions from the loading process (dust on the ground and residual in the atmosphere). The Atlas Sawdust Bin will be connected to a cyclone and will be equipped with a baghouse.

A State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Checklist for the proposed project is attached. Please contact us at (503) 723-4423 if you have questions or comments regarding the proposed project.

Sincerely,
SLR International Corporation

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "SDKronholm".

Sarah D. Kronholm, P.E.
Principal Engineer

cc Ed Alkire, Simpson Door Company
Tanya Dierick, Simpson Door Company

Enc SEPA Checklist

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

Purpose of Checklist:

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), Chapter 43.21 RCW, requires all governmental agencies to consider the environmental impacts of a proposal before making decisions. An environmental impact statement (EIS) must be prepared for all proposals with probable significant adverse impacts on the quality of the environment. The purpose of this checklist is to provide information to help you and the agency identify impacts from your proposal (and to reduce or avoid impacts from the proposal, if it can be done) and to help the agency decide whether an EIS is required.

Instructions for Applicants:

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Governmental agencies use this checklist to determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant, requiring the preparation of an EIS. Answer the questions briefly, with the most precise information known, or give the best description you can.

You must answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. In most cases, you should be able to answer the question from your own observations or project plans without the need to hire experts. If you really do not know the answer, or if a question does not apply to your proposal, write "do not know" or "does not apply". Complete answers to the questions now may avoid unnecessary delays later.

Some questions ask about governmental regulations, such as zoning, shoreline, and landmark designations. Answer these questions if you can. If you have problems, the governmental agencies can assist you.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe the your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or to provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Use of checklist for nonproject proposals:

Complete this checklist for nonproject proposals, even though questions may be answered "does not apply." IN ADDITION, complete the SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTIONS (Part D).

For nonproject actions, the references in the checklist to the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proposer," and "affected geographic area," respectively.

A. BACKGROUND

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

Simpson Door Company, Atlas Sawdust Bin Project (modification to sawdust collection system)

2. Name of applicant:

Simpson Door Company

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

Ed Alkire
Process-Project Engineer
Simpson Door Plant
400 Simpson Ave
McCleary, WA 98557
360-495-2064

4. Date checklist prepared:

March 11, 2016

5. Agency requesting checklist:

City of McCleary Public Works

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

Project will begin upon approval.

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.

No

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

A Notice of Construction application has been prepared in accordance with the Olympic Region Clean Air Agency's Rule 6.1.

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.

No.

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

None.

11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal . You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agency may modify this form to include additional specific information on

project description.)

Simpson Door Company is proposing a modification to the sawdust collection system that will eliminate the need for the open loading of sawdust through the existing truck loading bin. Under this proposed plan, the sawdust from the dust collection system will be captured in the Atlas Sawdust Bin, and then will be directly loaded into fully enclosed truck trailers through an enclosed system. The intent of the project is to reduce the fugitive dust emissions from the loading process (dust on the ground and residual in the atmosphere).

- 12. Location of proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographical map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any applications related to this checklist.**

The address is 400 Simpson Avenue, McCleary, Washington 98557. A site plan is included.

B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

1. Earth

- a. **General description of the site (circle one):** (Flat), rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountains, other _____.
- b. **What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?**

Overall, slopes on the site are under five percent.

- c. **What general types of soils (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any prime farmland.**

Sand and gravelly sand.

- d. **Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.**

Not indicated on NRCS web soil survey.

- e. **Describe the purpose, type, and approximate quantities of any filling or grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.**

There will be no filling or grading associated with this project.

- f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.**

No.

- g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?**

There will be no change to impervious surfaces.

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:**

No proposed measures.

2. Air

- a. What types of emissions to the air would result from this proposal (i.e. dust, automobile, odors, industrial wood smoke) during construction and when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.**

No increases to site emissions are expected to result from the project.

- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.**

No.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:**

Baghouse.

3. Water

- a. Surface:**

- 1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.**

The East Fork of Wildcat Creek is in the immediate vicinity of the site.

- 2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans.**

No.

3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of the fill material.

Not applicable.

4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

No.

5) Does the proposal lie within a 100 year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.

No.

6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.

No.

b. Ground:

1) Will groundwater be withdrawn, or will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

No.

2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals . . .; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, the number such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.

The site is served by City of McCleary sanitary sewer; there will be no discharges into the ground.

c. Water Runoff (including storm water):

1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.

Runoff will not increase on-site with this proposal.

2) Could waste material enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

The risk of waste materials entering ground or surface waters is not increased at the site with this proposal.

- d. **Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water impacts, if any:**

Not applicable.

4. **Plants**

- a. **Check or circle types of vegetation found on the site:**

deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other

evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other

shrubs

grass

pasture

crop or grain

wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bulrush, skunk cabbage, other

water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other

other types of vegetation

- b. **What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?**

None.

- c. **List threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site.**

No threatened or endangered species are known to be on or near the site.

- d. **Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any:**

Additional landscaping is not included in the proposal.

5. **Animals**

- a. **Circle any birds and animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site:**

birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:

mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:

fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other:

- b. **List any threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site.**

None known.

- c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.**

None known.

- d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any:**

Not applicable.

6. Energy and Natural Resources

- a. What kinds of energy (electrical, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.**

Electricity will come from the municipal energy grid. It will be used to power the sawdust removal equipment.

- b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.**

No.

- c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any:**

None.

7. Environmental Health

- a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so, describe.**

None.

- 1) Describe any emergency services that might be required.**

Not applicable.

- 2) Propose measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:**

Not applicable.

b. Noise

1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?

The facility is a current industrial operation with equipment and traffic noises typical for such an area.

2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site.

The noise will be similar to noise during normal business hours. Work will take place during City approved construction hours, 7 AM to 7 PM, according to Ordinance 8.16.130.g.

3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

Not applicable.

8. Land and Shoreline Use

a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties?

Simpson Door manufactures wood doors. Operations include lumber sorting and drying, stile and rail machining, patching/sanding, gluing, and assembly. The site is located within the city limits of McCleary and is bordered to the north by vacant timberland with the East Fork of Wildcat Creek beyond. The remaining sides of the site are bordered by residential houses, city streets, and small, non-manufacturing businesses.

b. Has the site been used for agriculture? If so, describe.

To our knowledge, the site has not been used for agriculture.

c. Describe any structures on the site.

There are manufacturing buildings located near the center of the property. Other structures include the maintenance shop, shipping warehouse, and offices. See site map for locations.

d. Will any structures be demolished? if so, what?

No.

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

Industrial.

- f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?**

Industrial.

- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?**

Not applicable.

- h. Has any part of the site been classified as an "environmentally sensitive" area? If so, specify.**

No.

- i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?**

The number of people will not change due to this project.

- j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?**

None.

- k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:**

Not applicable.

- l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:**

The proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans.

9. Housing

- a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle or low-income housing.**

None.

- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

None.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:**

Not applicable.

10. Aesthetics

- a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?**

No buildings are proposed.

- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?**

None.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:**

Not applicable.

11. Light and Glare

- a. What kind of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?**

No light or glare is expected.

- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?**

No.

- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?**

None.

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:**

Not applicable.

12. Recreation

- a. What designated and informal recreation opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?**

None.

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.**

No.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreational opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:**

Not applicable.

13. Historic and Cultural Preservation

- a. Are there any places or objects listed on, or proposed for, national, state, or local preservation registers known to be on or next to the site? If so, generally describe.**

None known.

- b. Generally describe any landmarks or evidence of historic, archeological, scientific, or cultural importance known to be on or next to the site? If so, generally describe.**

Not applicable.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts, if any:**

Not applicable.

14. Transportation

- a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site, and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans if any.**

Simpson Avenue (SR-108) serves as access to the site.

- b. Is the site currently served by public transit? If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?**

No. The nearest transit stop is the Grays Harbor Transit stop, located 0.3 miles away at 3rd and Maple.

- c. How many parking spaces would the completed project have? How many would the project eliminate?**

The proposed project does not increase or decrease existing parking spaces.

- d. Will the proposal require any new roads or streets, or improvements to existing roads or streets, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).**

No.

- e. Will the project use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.

No.

- f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur.

The proposal does not increase or decrease existing vehicular trips per day.

- g. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

Not applicable.

15. Public Services

- a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.

No

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.

Not applicable.

16. Utilities

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other.

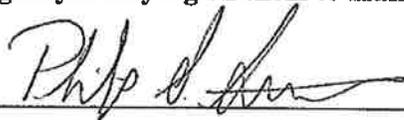
- b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

None.

C. SIGNATURE

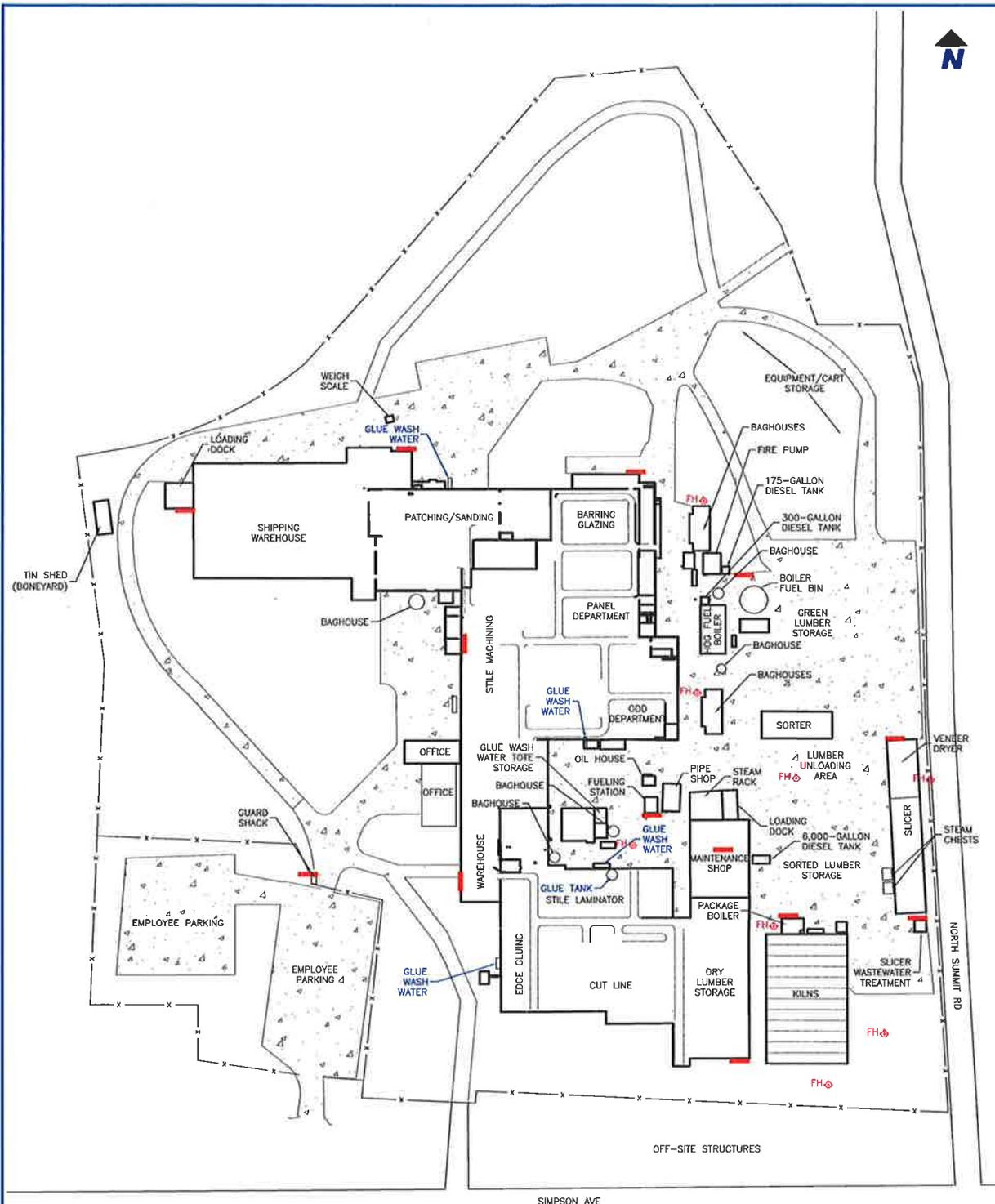
The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature: _____



Date Submitted: _____

March 28, 2016



- LEGEND**
- x — x — FENCE LINE/PROPERTY BOUNDARY
 - SPILL KIT
 - ▭ PAVED AREA
 - FH ◊ FIRE HYDRANT



SIMPSON DOOR COMPANY
 400 SIMPSON AVENUE
 MCCLEARY, WASHINGTON 98557

Report **STORMWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN**

Drawing **SITE PLAN**

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