

**Division of Water Quality  
Utah Department of Environmental Quality  
Public Notice of Intent to Renew a Ground Water Discharge Permit  
Permit No. UGW370005**

**Purpose of Public Notice**

The Utah Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is soliciting comments on the request to renew a ground water discharge permit as described below. The ground water discharge permit is issued by the Director of the Division of Water Quality under authority of the Utah Water Quality Act, Section 19-5-106(g) Utah Code Ann. 1953, as amended and Utah Administrative Code R317-6. Under Section 19-1-301.5, effective May 8, 2012, a person who wishes to challenge a Permit Order may only raise an issue or argument during an adjudicatory proceeding that was raised during the public comment period and was supported with sufficient information or documentation to enable the Director to fully consider the substance and significance of the issue. Utah Code Ann. 19-1-301.5 can be viewed at the following internet URL: [http://le.utah.gov/~code/TITLE19/htm/19\\_01\\_030105.htm](http://le.utah.gov/~code/TITLE19/htm/19_01_030105.htm).

**Permit Information**

Permittee Name:	Lisbon Valley Mining Co., LLC
Facility Location:	Lisbon Valley, San Juan County
Mailing Address:	P.O. Box 248 La Sal, UT 84532

Lisbon Valley Mining Co., LLC has requested a renewal of their ground water discharge permit no. UGW370005. Lisbon Valley Mining proposes to operate an open pit copper mining project in Lisbon Valley, San Juan County, Utah. The facilities would include a 266 acre heap leach pad, associated process and storm water ponds and an electrowinning/solvent extraction plant. Mined ore will be placed on the heap leach pad and dilute sulfuric acid solution will be applied to the rock to dissolve the copper into solution. Within the plant the copper is extracted from the solution and the solution is reused for further leaching. The permit requires the operator to utilize best available technology in the construction of the facilities. It also provides for the monitoring of ground water and requires the operator to monitor the performance of the liners beneath the pad and ponds.

**Public Comments**

Public comments are invited any time prior to **Friday, May 1, 2015**. Comments may be directed to the Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4870. All comments received prior to close of business **Friday, May 1, 2015**, will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permit. A public hearing may be held if written requests are received within the first 15 days of this public comment period that demonstrate significant public interest and substantive issues exist to warrant holding a hearing.

**Additional Information**

Additional information may be obtained upon request by contacting Keith Eagan at (801) 536-4355 or [keagan@utah.gov](mailto:keagan@utah.gov) or by writing to the aforementioned address. Related documents are available for review during normal business hours at DWQ, 195 North 1950 West in Salt Lake City or on the DWQ web page at <http://www.waterquality.utah.gov/PublicNotices/index.htm>.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with special needs (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) should contact Dana Powers, Office of Human Resources at (801) 536-4413, TDD (801) 536-4414.