

Knowing the significant role that Chemtrade liquid chlorine plays in supporting safe drinking water for millions of Canadians, and the growing uncertainty in North American trade relationships and uncertain geopolitical conditions, we are having conversations regarding how to maintain our potential future operations and secure our Canadian supply chain of this critical product.

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About Chemtrade

Chemtrade's North Vancouver chlor-alkali facility is one of Canada's largest providers of liquid chlorine – accounting for 40 per cent of all chlorine available in Canada. Regionally, this equates to over 70 per cent of the liquid chlorine available in BC and Alberta. **Why is this important?** A study conducted by [Statistics Canada in 2015](#) found that 96 per cent of Canadian communities relied on chlorine to treat their municipal water supply, which supplies over 30.7 million Canadians.

Changes to our rezoning application in response to District of North Vancouver Council concerns

In response to concerns voiced by the District of North Vancouver (District) Council, we have made further changes to our application, to address them.

- 1.) **QRA, security, and technology audits and oversight:** *Visibility and opportunity to review regularly updated QRAs, as well as audit finding for both physical and cybersecurity security audits, and best achievable technology audits, at an agreed upon cadence*
- 2.) **Partnering to deliver shelter-in-place training:** *Improved measures and tools, to be delivered in partnership with area first responders regarding public safety information and training*
- 3.) **Oversight into continued land use decisions:** *Tools that allow future District of North Vancouver Council the opportunity to review land-use and rezoning covenants for the facility, tied to the lease agreement between the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (the Port) and Chemtrade*

All other components of the application, including our commitment to move ahead with significant capital projects aimed at reducing potential risk to at or near our property line, remain in place.

At the May 25 regular District Council meeting, based on these proposed changes, the Council voted in support of reconsidering our application.

What's next?

We will be restarting the rezoning application process at the public hearing stage. **The hearing has been set for 7:00 p.m. on June 16, 2026**, and you can either attend in person or join virtually. Please watch the District of North Vancouver website (www.dnv.org) for more information about the meeting, including reports and instructions on how to submit your feedback.

Why are we applying for a rezoning? *Securing safe drinking water for millions of Canadians and supporting critical Canadian industries*

We are Canada's largest producer of liquid chlorine. Our liquid chlorine is used by over 70 per cent of the municipalities right here in BC and in Alberta to treat municipal water supplies. We have a critical role to play in securing your safe drinking water, and with this in mind, we need to secure our long-term ability to operate.

But did you know that the other products we produce – caustic soda and hydrochloric acid – are a critical link in the supply chain for many Canadian industries, too? These industries play a significant role in supporting Canadian economic independence such as the energy sector, pulp and paper, technology and innovation and manufacturing.

Since 2010, over \$500 million has been invested in the facility to ensure safe and responsible operations, and we continue to have ongoing conversations on achieving best available technologies at our facility. As part of our rezoning application, we are committing to further improvements, which would help reduce potential risk to the community to at, or near, our property line.

The facility itself has been safely operating since 1957, but due to a bylaw passed in 1984, our facility has been operating as a legal non-conformity since that time and has been grandfathered up until this point.

As part of our efforts to secure long-term operations, we are proposing several major capital improvements at our site that will not only increase safety but also reduce risk to the community, such as building an enclosure around the rail loading area equipped with air scrubbing technology, and the installation of seismic sensors. ***To move forward with construction, we need a development permit from the District of North Vancouver. This will trigger the need for rezoning to allow for the production of chlorine at our facility.***

To confirm, we are not increasing our output of liquid chlorine. In fact, once the improvements are completed, we will be moving to a "produce and ship" model, effectively removing almost all on-site storage of liquid chlorine. The application is to ensure we are correctly zoned so we can continue operations and move forward with planned safety and risk reduction projects.

Ways to contact us

- Visit www.AskChemtrade.ca to submit questions, find information, and send a message
- Reach out directly to Amy Jonsson at ajonsson@chemtradelogistics.com
- Visit our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/chemtrade>) and send us a message