

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



## EXAMPLE A

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING FOR AIR QUALITY PERMITS

AIR QUALITY PERMIT NUMBERS 108113, PSDTX1344M2, AND GHGPSDTX43

**APPLICATION.** voestalpine Texas LLC, 2800 Kay Bailey Hutchison Road, Portland, TX 78374-7400, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an amendment to State Air Quality Permit 108113, modification to Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Air Quality Permit PSDTX1344M2, and modification to Greenhouse Gas (GHG) PSD Air Quality Permit GHGPSDTX43 for emissions of GHGs, which would authorize modification to the Direct Reduced Iron Hot Briquetting Facility located at 2800 Kay Bailey Hutchison Road, Portland, San Patricio County, Texas 78374. The existing facility will emit the following air contaminants: carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, hydrogen sulfide, hazardous air pollutants, organic compounds, particulate matter, including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less, lead, sulfur dioxide, ammonia, carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide.

The *De Minimis* Modeling results indicated that predicted emission of PM<sub>2.5</sub> (increment), and PM<sub>10</sub> (increment) are less than the respective *de minimis* concentration, and no further analysis was required.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on May 30, 2019. The executive director has determined that the emissions of air contaminants from the existing facility which are subject to PSD review will not violate any state or federal air quality regulations and will not have any significant adverse impact on soils, vegetation, or visibility. All air contaminants have been evaluated, and "best available control technology" will be used for the control of these contaminants.

The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.** The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. A public meeting will be held and will consist of two parts, an Informal Discussion Period and a Formal Comment Period. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act. During the Informal Discussion Period, the public will be encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the permit application. The comments and questions submitted orally during the Informal Discussion Period will not be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application and no formal response will be made. Responses will be provided orally during the Informal Discussion Period. During the Formal Comment Period on the permit application, members of the public may state their formal comments orally into the official record. At the conclusion of the comment period, all formal comments will be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application. A written response to all formal comments will be prepared by the executive director and will be sent to each person who submits a formal comment or who requested to be on the mailing list for this permit application and provides a mailing address. Only relevant and material issues raised during the Formal Comment Period can be considered if a contested case hearing is granted on this permit application.

**The Public Meeting is to be held:**

**Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 7:00 PM**

Members of the public who would like to ask questions or provide comments during the meeting may access the meeting via webcast by following this link: <https://www.gotomeeting.com/webinar/join-webinar> and entering Webinar ID 200-582-883. It is recommended that you join the webinar and register for the public meeting at least 15 minutes before the meeting begins. You will be given the option to use your computer audio or to use your phone for participating in the webinar.

Those without internet access may call (512) 239-1201 at least one day prior to the meeting for assistance in accessing the meeting and participating telephonically. Members of the public who wish to only listen to the meeting may call, toll free, (562) 247-8422 and enter access code 993-692-678.

Additional information will be available on the agency calendar of events at the following link:

<https://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/decisions/hearings/calendar.html>.

**INFORMATION.** Citizens are encouraged to submit written comments anytime during the public meeting or by mail before the close of the public comment period to the Office of the Chief Clerk, TCEQ, Mail Code MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or electronically at <https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/>. If you need more information about the permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information can be found at our Web site at [www.tceq.texas.gov](http://www.tceq.texas.gov). *Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.*

The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, draft permit, and the executive director's preliminary determination summary and executive director's air quality analysis, will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Corpus Christi regional office, and the Bell/Whittington Library located at 2400 Memorial Parkway, Portland, TX. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Corpus Christi Regional Office, NRC Bldg. Suite 1200, 6300 Ocean Drive, Unit 5839, Corpus Christi, Texas. Further information may also be obtained from voestalpine Texas, LLC, at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Gail Ridgeway, Environmental Manager at (361) 704-9000.

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the meeting should call the Office of the Chief Clerk at 512-239-3300 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) at least five business days prior to the meeting.

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