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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE NON-RULE AIR QUALITY STANDARD PERMIT FOR CONCRETE BATCH PLANTS

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ or commission) is providing an opportunity for public comment and will conduct a public meeting to receive testimony regarding proposed amendments to the Non-Rule Air Quality Standard Permit for Concrete Batch Plants for issuance under the Texas Clean Air Act, Texas Health and Safety Code, §382.05195, Standard Permit and 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 116, Subchapter F, Standard Permits.

The proposed amendments will include an updated Air Quality Analysis (AQA) and corresponding revisions to certain provisions of the standard permit. The AQA is a report containing information that demonstrates that emissions at a concrete batch plant authorized by this standard permit would not cause or contribute to a violation of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards, exceed a state property line standard, or adversely affect human health and the environment. The proposed amendments to the standard permit include revised operational requirements, additional setback limitations, production limitations, and updated best management practices.

Proposed amendments to an air quality standard permit are subject to a minimum 30-day comment period; however, the commission is providing an extended comment period for this action. During the comment period, any person may submit written comments. After the comment period, TCEQ may revise the draft standard permit if appropriate. The final standard permit will then be considered by the commission for adoption. Upon adoption of the revised standard permit by the commission, the final standard permit and a response to all comments received will be made available on TCEQ's website.

The commission will hold a hybrid virtual and in-person public meeting on this proposal in Austin on Thursday, May 18, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in Building E, Room 201S, at the TCEQ's central office located at 12100 Park 35 Circle. The meeting is structured for the receipt of oral or written comments by interested persons. Individuals may present oral statements when called upon in order of registration. Spanish language interpretation services will be provided. Open discussion will not be permitted during the meeting; however, commission staff members will be available to discuss the proposal 30 minutes prior to the meeting.

Individuals who plan to attend the meeting virtually and want to provide oral comments and/or want their attendance on record must register by Tuesday, May 16, 2023. To register for the meeting, please email Rules@tceq.texas.gov and provide the following information: your name, your affiliation, your email address, your phone number, and whether or not you plan to provide oral comments during the meeting. Instructions for participating in the meeting will be sent on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, to those who register for the meeting.

Members of the public who do not wish to provide oral comments but would like to view the meeting may do so at no cost at:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

join/19%3ameeting_ODkyNjQ4OTQtM2E2ZC00ZDQzLWFhNGItMDJlZmYwZDQ3NTgz%40thread. v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22871a83a4-a1ce-4b7a-8156-3bcd93a08fba%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22e74a40ea-69d4-469d-a8ef-06f2c9ac2a80%22%2c%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3atrue%7d

Persons with special communication or other accommodation needs who are planning to attend the meeting should contact Sandy Wong, Office of Legal Services at (512) 239-1802 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD). Requests should be made as far in advance as possible.

The TCEQ will also hold an informational meeting in Houston during the public comment period to answer questions about the proposed amendments. Oral testimony will not be accepted at the informational meeting. Details of the informational meeting (such as date, time, and location) will be posted on the TCEQ website at the link provided at the end of this document.

Written comments may be submitted to Gwen Ricco, MC 205, Office of Legal Services, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or faxed to <code>fax4808@tceq.texas.gov</code>. Electronic comments may be submitted at: <code>https://tceq.commentinput.com/comment/search</code>. File size restrictions may apply to comments being submitted via the TCEQ Public Comment system. All comments should reference Non-Rule Project No. 2022-033-OTH-NR. The comment period closes on June 14, 2023. Copies of the proposed amendments to the standard permit can be obtained from the commission's website at https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/air/newsourcereview/2023-amendment-concrete-batch-standard-permit. For further information, please contact Michael Wilhoit, Project Manager, Air Permits Division, (512) 239-1222.