

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Redesignation and Maintenance Plan in association with the 2008 8-Hour Ozone Standard for Lake and Porter Counties, Indiana

Note: After December 1, 2012, legal notices for public hearings shall no longer be published in newspapers, but will be found on the Indiana Department of Environmental Management web site at: <http://www.in.gov/idem/5474.htm>.

Notice is hereby given under 40 CFR 51.102 that the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) is accepting written comment and providing an opportunity for public hearing regarding the Draft Redesignation Petition and Maintenance Plan in association with the 2008 8-hour ozone standard, for Lake and Porter counties, Indiana. All interested persons are invited and will be given reasonable opportunity to express their views concerning the submittal of the proposed Petition and Maintenance Plan in association with the 2008 8-hour ozone standard for Lake and Porter counties, Indiana.

Lake and Porter counties, Indiana were designated as "nonattainment" as a portion of the Chicago-Gary-Lake County, Illinois-Indiana nonattainment area. This area was designated as a "marginal" nonattainment area and is subject to the requirements of Section 172 of the Clean Air Act (CAA). One of the compliance requirements mandated by Section 172(c) of the CAA is the development of a plan demonstrating that the area will meet the federal 2008 8-hour air quality standard by the required attainment date. This Redesignation Petition and Maintenance Plan is being drafted and submitted consistent with United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) guidance.

Copies of the draft documents will be available on or before October 29, 2012, to any person upon request at the following locations:

Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Office of Air Quality, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate, Room N1003, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Northwest Regional Office, 8380 Louisiana Street, Merrillville, Indiana.

Crown Point Community Library, 214 South Court Street, Crown Point, Indiana.

Lake County Public Library-Highland Branch, located at 2841 Jewett Street, Highland Indiana

Valparaiso Public Library, 103 Jefferson Street, Valparaiso, Indiana.

Gary Public Library, 220 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

Hammond Public Library, 564 State Street, Hammond, Indiana.

Whiting Public Library, 1735 Oliver Street, Whiting, Indiana.

The draft documents will also be available on the following web page:

<http://www.in.gov/idem/4658.htm>

Any person may submit written comments on the Draft Redesignation Petition and Maintenance Plan in association with the 2008 8-hour ozone standard, for Lake and Porter counties, Indiana on or before December 3, 2012. Written comments should be directed to Ms. Linda McClure, Mail Code 61-50, Office of Air Quality, Indiana Department of Environmental Management, 100 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204; or fax (317) 233-5967; or email at lmclure@idem.in.gov. Interested parties may also present oral or written comments at the public hearing, if held. statements will be heard, but for the accuracy of the record, statements should be in writing. Written statements may be submitted to the attendant designated to receive comments at the public hearing.

A public hearing on the Draft Redesignation Petition and Maintenance Plan in association with the 2008 8-hour ozone standard for Lake and Porter counties, Indiana will be held if a public hearing request is received by November 19, 2012. A hearing has been scheduled for November 28, 2012. The hearing will convene at 6:00 p.m. local time at the Lake Station-New Chicago Branch Public Library located at 2007 Central Avenue, Lake Station, IN 46405. If a request for a public hearing is not received by November 19, 2012, the hearing will be cancelled. Interested parties can check the online IDEM calendar at

calendar at <http://www.in.gov/idem/calendar.html> or contact Ms. Linda McClure at 317-232-8449, after November 19, 2012, to see if the hearing has been cancelled or will convene.

A transcript of the hearing and all written submissions provided at the public hearing shall be open to public inspection at IDEM and copies may be made available to any person upon payment of reproduction costs. Any person heard or represented at the hearing or requesting notice shall be given written notice of actions resulting from the hearing.

For additional information contact Ms. Linda McClure, at the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Office of Air Quality, Room N1001, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or call (317) 232-8449 or (800) 451-6027 ext. 2-8449 (in Indiana).

Individuals requiring reasonable accommodations for participation in this hearing should contact the IDEM Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) coordinator at:

Attn: ADA Coordinator

Indiana Department of Environmental Management – Mail Code 50-10

100 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251

Or call (317) 233-1785 (voice) or (317) 233-6565 (TDD). Please provide a minimum of 72 hours notification.

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