NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT for BAYONNE ENERGY CENTER.

DRAFT TITLE V OPERATING PERMIT SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATION Program Interest (PI): 12863 / Permit Activity Number: BOP220002

The New Jersey State Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) is seeking public comment on its intent to approve an air pollution control Operating Permit Significant Modification for this facility pursuant to the provisions of Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act, the federal rules promulgated at 40 CFR 70, and the state regulations promulgated at N.J.A.C. 7:27-22.

FACILITY INFORMATION

Bayonne Energy Center (BEC) located at 401 Hook Road in Bayonne, Hudson County, NJ 07002 is an electric generating plant. Bayonne Energy Center is owned and operated by Bayonne Energy Center LLC.

This facility is located in an overburdened community and consistent with NJDEP Administrative Order No. 2021-25 (AO 2021-25), the facility has held a public information session. This public information session is separate from the public comment procedures outlined in N.J.A.C. 7:27-22.11. The public information session allows for direct communication between the applicant and the overburdened community to help with effective measures for reducing environmental stressor(s) as part of the permit renewal. The facility has completed procedures required by AO 2021-25 on 5/24/2023. Comments were received from the overburdened community and the facility's response to the comments can be obtained at https://dep.nj.gov/ej/meetings/#hudson.

FACILITY PROCESSES AND AIR EMISSIONS INFORMATION

For information about the facility's processes and air contaminant emissions please refer to the Statement of Basis available on this webpage at http://www.state.nj.us/dep/aqpp/publicnotices.htm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

This public notice, the statement of basis, and the draft permit have been posted at the Department's website: http://www.state.nj.us/dep/aqpp/publicnotices.htm. Any person who cannot obtain a copy of the permit documents and any supporting materials from the website above can call 609-292-6722 for further assistance.

All persons, including the applicant, who believe that any condition of the draft Air Pollution Operating Permit or the Department's tentative decision to approve this permit is inappropriate, must raise all reasonable issues of concern and submit all arguments and factual grounds or materials supporting their position during the public comment period. Any comments on this draft permit must be received within thirty days of the date of this notice by either (1) email addressed to David J. Owen at David.Owen@dep.nj.gov or (2) by mail and addressed to David J. Owen NJDEP, 401 E State Street, 2nd Floor, PO Box 420. Mail Code 401-02. Trenton, NJ 08625-0420.

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-22.11(f), any person may request that the Department hold a public hearing on the draft permit. A request for a public hearing shall be submitted, in writing, within thirty days of the date of this notice to the Department at the Trenton address listed above. The request for public hearing shall include a statement of issues to be discussed at the public hearing. The statement of issues shall be relevant to the draft permit under review by the Department.

The Department will consider and respond to all written and timely submitted comments. The applicant, and each person who submitted written comments, will receive a notice of the Department's final decision regarding the Operating Permit and a copy of the Response to Comment document.

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