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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Preliminary Findings Regarding a New Source Construction and
Federally Enforceable State Operating Permit (FESOP)

for Fulcrum Centerpoint, LLC in Lake County

FESOP No.: F089-44042-00660

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) has received an application from Fulcrum Centerpoint, LLC, located at 6200 Industrial Highway, Gary, Indiana 46406, for a new source construction and FESOP. If approved by IDEM's Office of Air Quality (OAQ), this proposed permit would allow Fulcrum Centerpoint, LLC to construct and operate a new biorefinery.

The Office of Air Quality (OAQ) had a notice posted on IDEM's website (<https://www.in.gov/idem/public-notices/>) stating that the draft new source construction and FESOP for Fulcrum Centerpoint, LLC had been proposed for this operation and provided information on how the public could review the proposed permit and other documentation. Due to several comments received by IDEM from interested parties, a public hearing will be held to discuss air permitting for Fulcrum Centerpoint, LLC.

A copy of the permit application and IDEM's preliminary findings have been sent to:

Gary Public Library and Cultural Center
220 W 5th Ave
Gary, IN 46402-1270

and

IDEM Northwest Regional Office
330 W. US Highway 30, Suites E & F
Valparaiso, IN 46385

A copy of the preliminary findings is available on the Internet at: <http://www.in.gov/ai/appfiles/idem-caats/>.

A copy of the application and preliminary findings is also available via IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet (VFC). To access VFC, please go to: <https://www.in.gov/idem/> and enter VFC in the search box. You will then have the option to search for permit documents using a variety of criteria.

You are invited to attend a public hearing regarding the Fulcrum Centerpoint, LLC air permitting preliminary findings:

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) will hold a public hearing to allow for testimony regarding the draft new source construction and FESOP. IDEM, OAQ will hold this public hearing at the following time and location:

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 5:30pm (CDT)
21st Century Charter School of Gary – Gymnasium
556 Washington Street Gary, Indiana 46402

What will happen at the hearing?

IDEM, OAQ will not provide responses to questions or comments made during the hearing. The purpose of the hearing is to allow for the public to provide testimony. IDEM will provide responses to all comments made during the hearing, along with all other written comments provided to the agency during the public comment period, as part of the response to comment in the final permit.

Written comments and supporting documentation can be presented at the public hearing, or if you do not plan to attend this hearing, you can send written comments to IDEM before the end of the public notice period. The public notice period has been extended to Monday, May 2, 2022. All comments will be considered by IDEM when we make a decision to issue or deny the permit. Comments that are most likely to affect final permit decisions are those based on the rules and laws governing this permitting process (326 IAC 2), air quality issues, and technical issues. IDEM does not have legal authority to regulate zoning, odor or noise. For such issues, please contact your local officials. If you do not want to comment, but would like to be added to IDEM's mailing list to receive notice of future action related to this permit application, please contact IDEM. Please refer to permit number F089-44042-00660 in all correspondence.

To Contact IDEM:

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If you need reasonable accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact IDEM's Americans with Disabilities Act coordinator at:

Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Attn: ADA Coordinator
100 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2251
317-233-4200

Please provide a minimum of 24 hours notice if possible. Speech and hearing impaired callers may contact the agency via the Indiana Relay Service at 1-800-743-3333.

What will happen after IDEM makes a decision?

Following the end of the public comment period, IDEM will issue a Notice of Decision stating whether the permit has been issued or denied. If the permit is issued, it may be different than the draft permit because of comments that were received during the public comment period. If comments are received during the public notice period, the final decision will include a document that summarizes the comments and IDEM's response to those comments. If you have submitted comments or have asked to be added to the mailing list, you will receive a Notice of the Decision. The notice will provide details on how you may appeal IDEM's decision, if you disagree with that decision. The final decision will also be available on the Internet at the address indicated above and will also be sent to the local library indicated above, the IDEM Regional Office indicated above and the IDEM public file room on the 12th floor of the Indiana Government Center North, 100 N. Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2251.

If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Belt of my staff at the above address.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jenny Acker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

Jenny Acker, Chief
Permits Branch
Office of Air Quality

For additional information about air permits and how the public and interested parties can participate, refer to the IDEM Air Permits page on the Internet at: <https://www.in.gov/idem/airpermit/public-participation/>; and the Citizens' Guide to IDEM on the Internet at: <https://www.in.gov/idem/resources/citizens-guide-to-idem/>.