Webinars on EPA's Refinery Fenceline Monitoring Data

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites you to participate in webinars on EPA's Refinery Fenceline Monitoring Data. The webinars will provide an overview of <u>EPA's 2015 rule</u> to reduce air emissions from petroleum refineries and solicit input on how to display the information collected from fenceline monitors at refineries.

EPA's rule, known as the <u>Petroleum Refinery Sector Risk and Technology Review and New Source Performance</u> <u>Standards</u>, will further control toxic air emissions from petroleum refineries. The standards provide important information about refinery emissions to the public. Exposure to toxic air pollutants, such as <u>benzene</u>, can cause respiratory problems and other serious health issues and can increase the risk of developing cancer. For the first time, refinery owners are required to monitor benzene emissions at their fencelines. Testing for benzene is a good way for the refinery owners to know if they need to investigate and take action. Also, benzene is an indicator for other toxic chemicals.

As a result of this new requirement, EPA will manage the fenceline monitoring data and is developing a web page to make this fenceline monitoring data publically available. EPA wants to know how to display the information from the monitors, and what other information will help the public and stakeholders understand the data. We know that the easiest way to make data accessible and understandable is to start talking to potential users before the data systems are built.

EPA is reaching out to state, local, industry, tribal and community organizations on how to communicate this reported data. EPA is pleased to invite you to participate in the webinars listed below and has included a list of questions for you to consider when providing your valuable input. Questions for stakeholders to consider, include:

- What information needs to be included on a web page to understand the data?
- Within context of the rule, what information and data on benzene do you want to see on the web page?
- Do you have ideas for other platforms for sharing the information besides a web page?
- What other information would be helpful for you?
 - Other EPA information about air toxics? Links to EPA environmental justice tools?
- Is there other training or support that might be helpful?

Webinar Details:

To participate^{*} in these webinars, on the date and time that corresponds with your type of organization, please click on this meeting link: <u>https://epawebconferencing.acms/fencelinedata</u>

Organizations	Dates/Times (in EDT)	Call in numbers/Conference ID
 Industry 	June 21, 2016 @2:00-3:30pm	(800) 309-5450; 18500534
 State/local/tribal 	June 22, 2016 @1:00-2:30pm	(800) 309-5450; 18501701
Communities	June 22, 2016 @3:00-4:30pm	(800) 309-5450; 18500703

If you are not able to participate in the webinars and would like to provide input, please visit the petroleum refinery web page at <u>https://www3.epa.gov/ttn/atw/petref.html</u> for additional ways to provide input. In addition, the presentation will be posted on this website in the coming weeks. If you have any questions about these webinars, please contact Lena Vickey Epps-Price at <u>epps-price.lena@epa</u> at 919-541-5573 or Joyce Baldwin at <u>baldwin.joyce@epa.gov</u> at 919-541-3065.

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