

&community **INDUSTRY** RELATIONS

DEQ ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE LISTENING SESSION

come provide input on issues that affect your community

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2007 · 8AM to 3:15PM
DEQ CONFERENCE CENTER · OLIVER POLLOCK ROOM**

The DEQ Environmental Justice Listening Sessions will be receptive, solution-oriented meetings conducted with communities and in partnership with federal, state, tribal, and local government representatives. The purpose of these listening sessions is to hear about general and specific areas of environmental interest/concern and to work effectively towards mutually beneficial solutions. Individuals and organizations will be given an opportunity to comment on their environmental justice concerns and to offer their recommendations for solutions.



registration form

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NAME _____

ORGANIZATION _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ ALTERNATIVE PHONE NUMBER _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS _____

YES, I WILL ATTEND I WILL ATTEND BY VIDEO CONFERENCING

There is no charge for the day but please register so we know how many will attend.

Video conferencing will be available in Lake Charles, Monroe and Shreveport, LA. Please contact Jean Kelly at 225.219.3966 or Dr. Kimberly Gallo at 225.219.0877 if you plan to attend by video conferencing or if you need any further assistance.

To fax this registration form, dial 225.325.8167. You may also register online at www.deq.louisiana.gov



Agenda

Tuesday, February 13, 2007

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality Conference Center
Oliver Pollock Room
8:00AM – 3:15PM

7:50 – 8:10 Sign In

8:10 – 8:20 **Welcome/Introduction of Executive Staff**

Mike McDaniel, PhD – Secretary, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

8:20 – 8:25 **Opening Remarks/Dedication**

Albertha Hasten, Louisiana Environmental Justice Community Organization Coalition

8:25 – 8:30 **Opening Remarks**

Jonathan Hook, PhD – Director, Office of Environmental Justice & Tribal Affairs, EPA, Region VI

8:30 – 8:35 **Opening Remarks**

Chuck Carr Brown, PhD – Assistant Secretary, Office of Environmental Services, LDEQ

Panel discussions will consist of presentations (five minutes) by members, with remaining time (15 minutes) for audience questions and statements.

8:35 – 9:15 **Panel Discussion #1**

"Environmental Justice: Moving From Theory to Practice"

Panel discussion on how EJ is defined, including successes, changes and challenges

Paige Ashby – Governor's Office of Indian and Tribal Affairs

Shirley Augurson – EPA, Region VI, OEJ

Sharon Batieste – Alsen Environmental Justice Community Organization

Wynecta Fisher – City of New Orleans, Environmental Affairs

Desiree Lemoine – Louisiana Chemical Association

Facilitator/Jowana Williams – LDEQ

9:20 – 10:05 **Panel Discussion #2**

"Community Expectations"

Includes expectations of community members from Louisiana regions regarding session outcomes and the establishment of working relationships

Pam Dashiell – Holy Cross Neighborhood Association

Barbara Foco – Help for Sewerage Victims

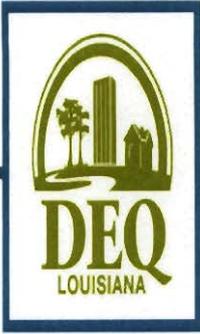
Eliza Speed – Residents for Air Neutralization

Deborah White – Help for Sewerage Victims

Willie Mae Williams – Concerned Citizens of LA Hwy 44 E&W Bank
Facilitator/Wynecta Fischer – City of New Orleans, Environmental Affairs

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10:15 – 10:25 BREAK

10:30 – 11:15 Panel Discussion #3
Building & Rebuilding Trust: Exploring the Possibilities
Discussion of past issues and constructive dialogue on learning from the past and the establishment of a path for forward motion.

Charlie Atherton – Calcasieu League for Environmental Action Now
Albertha Hasten – Concerned Citizens of Iberville Parish
Desiree Lemoine – Louisiana Chemical Association
Velma White – Residents for Air Neutralization
Facilitator/Tomeka Prioleau – LSU Technical Outreach Services for Communities Center

11:20 – 11:40 Topic #4 – Including You: Emergency Preparedness and Response
Discussion of effective methods of information dissemination during emergency situations.
Chuck Carr Brown, PhD – Assistant Secretary, Office of Environmental Services, LDEQ

11:45 – 12:30 Public Comment Period
Comments will be allowed by stakeholders requesting to speak during initial sign-up. Speakers will be allocated three minutes, but comments submitted via other methods will be accepted for 30 days.
Facilitator/LDEQ Staff

EJ Listening Session is complete for those participating via videoconference.

12:30 – 1:15 LUNCH

LEARNING SESSIONS

1:15 – 2:05 Learning Session #1
EDMS Training – Ellen Peneguy, Oliver Pollock Room

2:05 – 2:15 BREAK

2:15 – 3:10 Learning Session #2
Permitting 101 – Relevant Administrators/Staff, Oliver Pollock Room

3:10 – 3:15 Next Steps/Closing Remarks
LDEQ Staff

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