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Explosive New Health Report Details Issues Surrounding MAC Asphalt Plant

MUST-READ Report for Jeffersonville and Clark County Residents

Jeffersonville, February 26, 2015: An explosive new 43-page report issued on Monday, February 23 examines the alarming health concerns that have been raised by Jeffersonville residents about the MAC Asphalt plant over the past six (6) years.

The exhaustive report, produced by Henshel EnviroComm, examines the link between the health and environmental complaints continually raised by residents and the potentially hazardous emissions the asphalt plant is allowed to emit under its Federal FESOP permit.

Based on the evidence and factors examined, the authors of the report recommend the MAC Asphalt plant be relocated from its current site to a location far enough away from neighborhoods so residents will not be involuntarily exposed to excessive concentrations of particulate matter and hazardous air pollutants. They also recommend the plant increase its emission stack height to allow proper atmospheric mixing.

Additionally, the report examines Clark County health data which shows higher rates of lung cancer, breast cancer, chronic lower respiratory disease mortality, heart disease hospitalization, and heart disease mortality than the State of Indiana averages. Although, at this time these increased rates cannot be directly linked to the asphalt plant emissions.

Dr. Diane Henshel, the report's primary author and owner of Henshel EnviroComm, is an expert in toxicology, risk assessment, and risk communication. Dr. Henshel is also an Associate Professor in the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs.

The report is available for free download to the general public at the web site of the Indiana Construction Information Network: www.incin.org.

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