



# INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Preliminary Findings Regarding the Renewal of a  
Part 70 Operating Permit

for U.S. Steel Corporation - Gary Works in Lake County

No.: T089-46943-00121

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) has received an application from U.S. Steel Corporation - Gary Works located at One North Broadway, Gary, Indiana 46402 for a renewal of its Part 70 Operating Permit. IDEM's Office of Air Quality (OAQ) issues renewals of this type of permit to regulate the operation of existing sources and modifications at existing sources that release air pollutants.

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 Part 70 Operating Permit Renewal for U.S. Steel Corporation - Gary Works 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 on April 25, 2024 to allow for testimony regarding the draft Renewal of a Part 70 Operating Permit for U.S. Steel Corporation - Gary Works.

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  
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 U.S. Steel Corporation - Gary Works air permitting preliminary findings:**

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) will hold a public hearing to allow for testimony regarding the draft Renewal of a Part 70 Operating Permit. IDEM, OAQ will hold this public hearing at the following time and location:

Thursday April 25, 2024, at 6:00 PM (CDT)  
21st Century Charter School of Gary – Gymnasium  
556 Washington St, 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 decision.

Written comments and supporting documentation can be submitted to IDEM before the end of the public notice period. The public notice period will end on Monday, April 29, 2024. 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 T089-46943-00121 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:

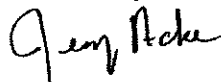
Indiana Department of Environmental Management  
Attn: ADA Coordinator  
100 North Senate Avenue  
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Please provide a minimum of 24 hours notice if possible. Speech and hearing impaired callers may contact the agency via the Indiana Relay Service at 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 12<sup>th</sup> floor of the Indiana Government Center North, 100 N. Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2251.

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



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/>.