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OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

PUBLIC HEARING

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In re: :  
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Lead Redesignation Request and :  
Maintenance Plan :  
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Transcript of proceedings before the Ohio  
Environmental Protection Agency, taken at Cleveland  
Public Library, Fleet Branch, 7224 Broadway Avenue,  
Cleveland, Ohio 44105, on Tuesday, June 14, 2016,  
commencing at 3:30 p.m.

APPEARANCES:

Kristopher Weiss, Ohio EPA Public Interest Center

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## 1 PROCEEDINGS

2 MR. WEISS: My name is Kristopher  
3 Weiss. I am a public involvement coordinator  
4 in Ohio EPA's Public Interest Center and will  
5 preside over today's public hearing.

6 Thank you for taking time to attend  
7 this hearing before the Ohio Environmental  
8 Protection Agency. The purpose of the hearing  
9 today is to obtain comments from any  
10 interested person regarding plans to request  
11 U.S. EPA to revise the current air quality  
12 designation for the partial Cuyahoga County  
13 nonattainment area to attainment with respect  
14 to the 2008 lead national ambient air quality  
15 standard (NAAQS). Air quality monitoring data  
16 collected between 2012 and 2014 in the area  
17 demonstrate attainment of the NAAQS and there  
18 is evidence that the improved air quality is  
19 due to permanent, enforceable emission  
20 reductions. In addition, the proposed  
21 maintenance plan demonstrates that existing  
22 requirements are sufficient to maintain the  
23 2008 lead standard in this area at least 10  
24 years into the future.

25 Ohio EPA's analysis indicates current

1 controls and emission limitations established  
2 for the Ferro Corporation, the only lead  
3 emitting source in the nonattainment area,  
4 along with projected future emission,  
5 demonstrate the ability to maintain the NAAQS  
6 in the partial Cuyahoga County area in the  
7 future. In addition, Ferro Corporation has  
8 implemented a Preventative Maintenance Plan  
9 and specified elements of the plan are being  
10 incorporated into Ohio's SIP as a part of the  
11 federally enforceable permit-to-install also  
12 available for the public comment under a  
13 concurrent action. As part of an acceptable  
14 maintenance plan, Ohio EPA is required to  
15 develop a contingency plan to provide for  
16 additional emission reductions if a violation  
17 of the NAAQS is monitored after the area has  
18 been redesignated. The contingency plan which  
19 Ohio EPA is proposing as part of this action  
20 contains additional reductions which could  
21 help alleviate any violations until a revised  
22 SIP could be developed.

23 All interested persons are entitled to  
24 attend or be represented, and to present oral  
25 and/or written comments concerning the

1 proposed action. All written and oral  
2 comments received as part of the official  
3 record will be considered by the director of  
4 Ohio EPA.

5 To be included in the official record,  
6 written comments must be received by Ohio EPA  
7 by close of business, today, June 14, 2016.  
8 These comments may be filed with me today or  
9 emailed to Jennifer.vanvlerah@epa.ohio.gov.  
10 All written comments submitted for the record  
11 receive the same consideration as oral  
12 testimony given today.

13 Written statements submitted after  
14 today may be considered as time and  
15 circumstances permit, but will not be part of  
16 the official record of the hearing.

17 If you wish to present oral testimony  
18 at this hearing today and have not already  
19 signed the registration sheet, please do so at  
20 this time. The sheet is available at the  
21 registration table. Persons will be called in  
22 the order in which they have registered.

23 There is no cross-examination of  
24 speakers or of representatives of Ohio EPA in  
25 public hearings such as this. Ohio EPA

1           hearings such as this afford citizens the  
2           opportunity to provide comments on the  
3           official record.  Therefore, we will not be  
4           able to answer questions during the hearing.  
5           However, members of the panel may ask  
6           clarifying questions of the person testifying  
7           to ensure the record is as complete and  
8           accurate as possible.

9           I will now read the names of those who  
10          have registered at this hearing and will give  
11          each person an opportunity to testify.

12                           (No response.)

13           MR. WEISS:           Is there anyone else  
14          who wishes to testify at this time?

15                           (No response.)

16           MR. WEISS:           Seeing no further  
17          requests for testimony, I remind you that  
18          written comments can be submitted through the  
19          close of business today, June 14.

20           Thank you for attending.  The time is  
21          now 4:00 and this hearing is adjourned.

22                           (Hearing adjourned at 4:00 p.m.)

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2 County of Cuyahoga. )

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