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## **Ohio EPA to Hold Hearing On Draft Air Permit for Guernsey Co. Metals Manufacturer**

Ohio EPA will hold a public hearing on Wed., Oct. 26, 2011, at 6 p.m. about a draft air permit issued to AMG Vanadium Inc. (60790 Southgate Rd., Cambridge) for the initial installation of a new multiple hearth roaster for metals production. The hearing will be held at Crossroads Branch Library, 63500 Byesville Rd., Cambridge.

The 100-ton-per-day propane/natural gas-fired roaster would use existing air pollution control equipment, a baghouse for particulate matter and a dry scrubber for sulfur dioxide control. The new roaster would replace the current roaster, which would become the backup unit.

AMG's facility is subject to federal air pollution rules for several pollutants. Ohio EPA has determined that there would be no adverse air quality impacts from the new roaster. The draft permit proposes air emissions rates that are similar to the facility's currently permitted emissions rates. Particulate matter would increase slightly, while sulfur dioxide emissions would remain the same and carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides and volatile organic compounds emissions would decrease.

Before issuing the draft air permit, Ohio EPA reviewed the company's application to ensure that emissions would comply with federal and state air pollution control standards, laws and regulations. The draft air permit establishes emission limits to protect public health and the environment.

Ohio EPA places a high priority on public involvement and encourages citizens to become involved in the decision-making process. The public can submit comments for the record about the draft air permit during the hearing. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain additional information that will be considered before Ohio EPA issues or denies final air permit.

Ohio EPA will equally consider written comments on the draft air permit received through Oct. 31, 2011. Interested parties can send comments to [Sarah Harter](mailto:sarah.harter@epa.state.oh.us) at [sarah.harter@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:sarah.harter@epa.state.oh.us) or Ohio EPA's Southeast District Office (2195 Front Street, Logan, Ohio 43138). Interested parties also may write to this address for more information.

The draft air permit is available [online](#). Also, arrangements can be made to review and/or copy the permit and related material at the above address by first calling (740) 385-8501 or (800) 686-7330.

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