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TO: Southwest Indianapolis Business and Industry Stakeholders

FROM: Daniel Murray, Assistant Commissioner
Office of Air Quality

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SUBJECT: Southwest Indianapolis Air Toxics Study

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management's (IDEM) Office of Air Quality is in the process of conducting an air quality study in the southwest area of Indianapolis. This area has been identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as a potential area of concern for air toxics. Included with this letter is a brochure that provides an overview of this study. As part of the study, IDEM is performing ambient air monitoring and dispersion modeling for a select group of air toxics. IDEM will soon be initiating a data gathering and validation exercise and will respectfully request your assistance to help ensure that the data and assumptions that are used for dispersion modeling represent the best available for this study. IDEM views industry stakeholder involvement to be essential to the accurate and successful completion of the project.

IDEM has been conducting ambient air monitoring in the southwest Indianapolis area since October 2, 2006 to help identify pollutants of interest. Attached is a list of the pollutants that IDEM currently believes warrant further evaluation. This list was derived from preliminary monitoring information, current emissions inventories, and information from previous U.S. EPA national scale air toxics assessments. It will not be necessary for you to verify the presence or absence of all the pollutants on this list from your facility. However, if your facility has additional information available concerning these pollutants, we encourage that it be provided.

In order to prepare you for the data gathering and validation exercise, IDEM will conduct an information session at the Rolls-Royce Training center located at 2355 Tibbs Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46225 on December 13, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. During this session, IDEM will provide an overview of the Southwest Indianapolis Air Toxics Study and present an illustrative example of an emissions-related information validation request. IDEM and City of Indianapolis technical staff will also be on hand to answer any questions that you may have about the project or the forthcoming information validation request.

IDEM intends to initiate the formal emissions-related information validation request by mid-December 2007. Once the formal request is received, stakeholders will be provided ninety (90) days to prepare and submit a response. IDEM will host two (2) workshop events within the study area during the ninety-day response period. IDEM and the City of Indianapolis will have technical staff available during the workshops to share information concerning the project, respond to questions and concerns, and to provide technical assistance in the verification and completion of the emission-related information request form.

If you have any questions about the project or the emissions inventory request, please feel free to contact Brian Wolff at bwolff@idem.in.gov or (317) 234-3499), or Jeff Stoakes at jstoakes@idem.in.gov or (317) 233-2725.

If you would like to learn more about the project or how else you can be involved, please feel free to contact the project manager, Brian Wolff (contact information above), or visit the project web page at www.IN.gov/idem/programs/air/workgroups/swindyairtox/index.html. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this project. Your participation will help facilitate accurate and timely results from the study; information that will be useful to you and your community.