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Lucas County

PUBLIC NOTICE
ISSUANCE OF DRAFT NPDES PERMIT AND PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on March 15, 2010, the Director of the Environmental Protection Agency will issue a draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit renewal (2IB00000) to First Energy Generation Corporation. The draft permit is for the discharge from the First Energy Generation Corporation Bayshore Station at 4701 Bayshore, Oregon, Lucas County, Ohio. "Draft Actions" are written statements of the Director's intent with respect to the issuance, denial, etc. of a permit, license, order, etc. Interested persons may submit written comments regarding draft actions.

The discharges from the facility, if approved, would result in degradation to, or lowering of, the water quality of Lake Erie. However, the chemical-specific water quality criteria developed to protect aquatic life and human health, set forth in OAC 3745-1-07, will not be exceeded.

In accordance with OAC 3745-1-05, Ohio EPA will provide an opportunity for public comment concerning this project. Comments received shall be considered by the Director before the draft action is issued as final. A public hearing has been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on April 22, 2010 at the Clay High School Auditorium, 5665 Seaman Road, Oregon, Ohio 43616. The public hearing will end when everyone in attendance has had an opportunity to provide testimony related to the project. All interested persons are entitled to attend or be represented and give written or oral comments on the project. The purpose of the hearing is to obtain additional information that will be considered by the Director of Ohio EPA prior to any further action on the draft permit.

Persons wishing to 1) be on Ohio EPA's interested parties mailing list for this project or 2) submit comments for Ohio EPA's consideration must do so in writing to Ohio EPA-DSW, Permits Processing Unit, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049 by the close of business on April 29, 2010. Comments received after this date may not be considered as part of the official record of this hearing.

Copies of the pending NPDES application, draft permit and technical support information may be reviewed and/or copies made at Ohio EPA's Northwest District Office, 347 North Dunbridge Road, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402, by first calling (419) 352-8461 to make an appointment.