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STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

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July 27, 2023

Dear Interested Party:

We are sending you this information because you may have an interest in air quality related activities associated with Indeck Niles, LLC. The company has submitted an air permit application (No. APP-2022-0265) for proposed changes to the existing permit for the natural gas-fired combined-cycle power plant located at 2200 Progressive Drive, in Niles, Michigan. The changes are to reflect equipment actually installed and to lower current permitted emission limits.

The law requires the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) to open some actions for the public to comment on, such as what Indeck Niles, LLC is requesting. Public comments are a very important part of making sure the application has been thoroughly reviewed.

Information about the air permit application, such as the summary of the proposed project, the proposed permit conditions, and the fact sheet containing the regulatory analysis of the proposed permit conditions are available to review. This information, as well as what we can consider in our decision, may be found at <u>Michigan.gov/EGLEAirPublicNotice</u> and select <u>Applications Open for Comment</u>, or you may contact me for printed copies.

If you decide to comment on this draft air permit, you may submit comments a variety of ways until September 11, 2023:



E-mail your comment to EGLE-AQD-PTIPublicComments@Michigan.gov



Mail your comment to Michigan Department of the Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Air Quality Division, Permit Section, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7760.



Leave us a voicemail comment by calling 517-284-0900.



At the public hearing, if held.

Please note, for this public comment period, a public hearing must be requested.

You may request a public hearing be held, in writing, to the email or address above by August 30, 2023. If requested in writing, a virtual informational session and public hearing will be held on September 6, 2023.

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The virtual informational session will begin at 6:00 p.m., with a brief presentation about the proposed project and the draft air permit and will include an opportunity for the public to ask questions of EGLE staff. The public hearing will be immediately following to take official comments on the record. You may contact me on August 31, 2023, to determine if a hearing was requested and will be held.

The AQD will review and consider all comments received during the comment period before making a final decision, and a written response and a copy of the decisions made about the proposed permit will be provided to you.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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