

Notice Concerning Proposed Kansas Air Quality
Construction Permit and Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) is soliciting comments regarding a proposed air quality construction permit for Exide Technologies (Exide), 413 E. Berg Road, Salina, Kansas. Exide Technologies has applied for a permit modification pursuant to K.S.A. 65-3008 and K.A.R. 28-19-300 et seq. and as authorized by K.S.A. 65-3005. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) designated the area surrounding Exide Technologies' property in Saline County as nonattainment with the 2008 Lead National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).

The purpose of this proposed permit is to modify existing federally enforceable limitations and conditions applicable to Exide as a result of the nonattainment designation. The proposed permit and associated approval authorizes modifications to lead emissions limits that support attainment of the 2008 Lead NAAQS and include the following equipment modifications: upgrade of the plant ventilation system, modifications to the existing baghouses in order to increase airflow, and the installation of fourteen hydroset curing ovens. Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), sulfur oxides (SO_x), carbon monoxide (CO), particulate matter (PM), particulate matter less than 10 microns (PM₁₀), and lead were evaluated during the permit review process.

A public comment period has been established to allow citizens the opportunity to express any concerns they may have about this proposed permitting action. The public comment period is to begin on Thursday, November 3, 2016 and will end on Monday, December 5, 2016, at noon. All comments should be submitted in writing to Amanda Spade, Bureau of Air, 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 310, Topeka, KS 66612-1366, or by FAX at 785-291-3953.

Any member of the public may request a public hearing to provide comments on the proposed issuance of the draft air quality construction permit. Written requests to hold a public hearing should be sent to the attention of Amanda Spade (contact information noted above) and must also be received by noon on Monday, December 5th. *If a pertinent request is received, a public hearing is tentatively scheduled by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) for Tuesday, December 6, 2016 beginning at 6:00 p.m. and continuing until audience members have an opportunity to submit comments. The tentatively scheduled hearing will be held at the Salina Public Library, Prescott Meeting Room, 301 W Elm St., Salina, KS 67401. **If no pertinent requests to hold the public hearing are received by noon on Monday, December 5th, the public hearing will be cancelled and announced on the KDHE website at: <http://www.kdheks.gov/bar/publicnotice.html>***

If a hearing is conducted, all interested parties will be given a reasonable opportunity to present their views orally or by submission of written materials during the hearing. In order to give all parties an opportunity to present their views, it may be necessary to limit oral presentations to a specific time limit. Any individual with a disability may request accommodation in order to participate in the public hearing and may request the proposed materials in an accessible format. Requests for accommodation must be made no later than Tuesday, November 29, 2016, by contacting *Sherry Walker* at 785-296-6024.

The proposed permit and all supporting documentation are available for public review for a period of 30 days from the date of publication during normal business hours (8:00 AM to 5:00 PM) at the KDHE, Bureau of Air (BOA), 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 310, Topeka, KS 66612-1366. The proposed permit and supporting documentation can also be reviewed at the KDHE North Central District Office, 2501 Market Place, Suite D, Salina, KS. To obtain or review the proposed permit and supporting documentation, contact Amanda Spade at 785-296-5231 or Joshua Webb, 785-827-9639, at the North Central District Office. The standard departmental cost will be assessed for any copies requested. These same materials are available, free of charge, at the KDHE Bureau of Air website: <http://www.kdheks.gov/bar/publicnotice.html>.

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