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Removal Action To Begin

Clinton Coal Gas Site, Clinton, Iowa

INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 7 will hold a public availability meeting Monday, November 8, 2004, at the Erickson Center, Room 4, 1401 11th Avenue North, Clinton, Iowa. The purpose of the meeting is to announce the start up of the Removal Action that will address coal tar contamination at the Clinton Coal Gas Site in Clinton, Iowa.

The Clinton Coal Gas Site is located on the west side of Riverview Park between Fourth Avenue North and Second Avenue South. IPL will conduct the work under EPA oversight. The following work will be performed under the Administrative Order on Consent that was signed September 24, 2004:

- Source removal. The coal tar and associated contaminated soils will be removed from the site and disposed of properly.
- A focused Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study or RI/FS. This study will be initiated to further assess the contaminated ground water.

Previous work at the site consisted of removing lead and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) contaminated soils. The coal tar removal is projected to start in November 2004 and may last 12 to 16 weeks. Previous assessment activities indicate that there is approximately 25,000 tons of material that needs to be removed. The contamination threatens the ground water. The estimated cost of the removal actions is \$6.5 million.

BACKGROUND

The 7.9 acre site includes a former manufactured gas plant (FMGP) and steel works. The FMGP operated from the late 1800s to 1952. IPL offices currently occupy the western portion of the site. The former Clinton Bridge Works/Allied Structural Steel buildings, formerly used for manufacturing beams for bridge construction, were on the eastern portion of the site.

EPA TO HOLD A PUBLIC AVAILABILITY MEETING

Monday, November 8, 2004, 7:00 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Erickson Center, Room 4 1401 11th Avenue North Clinton, Iowa

EPA staff will explain the Removal Action that is expected to begin in late November at the Clinton Coal Gas Site in Clinton, Iowa.

If you have questions about the meeting or the site, please contact:

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

EPA encourages community members to review the Administrative Order on Consent for the Clinton Coal Gas Site. The Administrative Order on Consent and accompanying documents are in the Administrative Record File. The Administrative Record File is available for public review at the following information repositories, during normal business hours:

Clinton Public EPA Region 7
Library Records Center
306 8th Ave. South 901 N. 5th Street
Clinton, Iowa Kansas City, Kansas

If you have questions or need more information on the site, please contact:

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