



CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COUNCIL TO LA PORTE INDUSTRY

Annual Report on CAC Plant Emissions

Rick Bergeron from OxyChem La Porte VCM presented the Annual Report on CAC Plant Emissions with data from 2023. The Annual Report is composed of two different components: the Emissions Inventory (EI) which plants submit to the TCEQ and the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) which plants submit to the EPA. Gowan requested and compiled the data in spreadsheets, which were mailed to members prior to the meeting for review. Also mailed at that time was a compilation of the questionnaires sent to each plant known as the Plant Managers Letters.

The EI showed increases in nitrogen oxides (NO_x). Volatile organic compounds (VOCs), highly reactive volatile organic compounds (HRVOCs), carbon monoxide (CO), total suspended particulates (TSP), and sulfur oxides (SO_x) showed decreases when compared to 2022. The TRI data showed a twenty-three percent overall decrease from 2022-2023 in releases to the environment. This year's report included the 5-year averages for the various pollutant categories to track performance over time. The report also showed a comparison of the CAC emissions to those of several other local CAC/CAPs. LPCAC emissions were also compared overall to Texas and Harris County emissions inventory data.

The CAC is a forum for candid and constructive dialogue between those who live or work in La Porte, Morgan's Point, and Shoreacres and the managers of 43 chemical plants in La Porte. The CAC welcomes visitors. It meets again on Tuesday, October 1 at 6:00 p.m. to learn about Electrical Grid Capacity. Contact info@laportecac.org if you wish to attend. The CAC shares information about its meetings and presentations at www.laportecac.org.