



Mountain Watershed Association
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Texas Eastern Uniontown Compressor Station Information

Texas Eastern is proposing to expand the Uniontown Compressor station in North Union. Because this expansion will classify the station as a major source of certain air contaminants our Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is accepting public comments. If significant public comment is not received, no action will be taken by the DEP to further inform residents of the expansion before issuing Texas Eastern the permit.

For additional resources contact Kathryn Hilton with the Mountain Watershed Association (MWA) at 724-455-4200 ex. 4# or kathryn@mtwatershed.com.

For additional information from the DEP you may contact Alexander Sandy at 412-442-4028.

PROJECT WILL:

1. Increase capacity of two Solar Mars natural gas-fired compressor turbines from 12,600 bhp (braking horse power) to 13,330 bhp each and equip each with oxidation catalysts.
2. Changes to facility will make it a major source of air emissions for CO₂e, with an emission limit of 129,851 tons per year.
3. Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions are still considered a minor source, but are close to the 50 ton threshold at 48.5 tons a year. Some VOCs are: Benzene, Formaldehyde, Toluene, and Xylene.
4. Emission rates are modeled after manufacturer's specifications and do not factor mechanical or human error, and assume optimal upkeep.

WHY COMMENT AND WHAT TO SAY: Mountain Watershed Association believes that many residents in close proximity to this facility are not aware of the proposed expansion and have not been given adequate information on what the expansion means for nearby residents.

1. Request an extension of the comment period due to insufficient notice to nearby residents.



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2. Request a public hearing with a question and answer portion from the DEP to provide residents with more information about the proposed expansion.
3. Provide in comments your personal experiences with the compressor station as it exists. How often does the facility have unintentional releases, marked by extended periods of loud noise? Have you had contact with Texas Eastern, how quickly do they respond to complaints?

HOW TO SUBMIT COMMENTS:

1. **Comments to DEP must be submitted by February 3, 2014.** A person may oppose the proposed plan approval by *filing a written protest with the Department.*

Submit Comments by Mail:

Alexander Sandy, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection,

400 Waterfront Drive, Pittsburgh, PA, 15222

Submit Comments online:

asandy@pa.gov

Each protest or set of written comments must contain the **name, address and telephone number of the person submitting the comments, identification of the proposed Plan Approval (PA-26-00413B) and concise statements regarding the relevancy of the information or objections to issuance of the Plan Approval.**

2. This Uniontown Compressor expansion is part of a larger Texas Eastern project called Texas Eastern Appalachia to Market (TEAM). As the name suggests this interstate pipeline project includes upgrades to some existing compressor stations to increase capacity. **As an interstate project it is regulated by Federal Energy Regulatory Committee (FERC). Comments to the FERC may be submitted**



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at any time, but timeliness is important. List the FERC Docket number at the top of your comments (Docket CP3-84)

Submit comments by mail to:
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)
Kimberly Bose, Secretary
888 1st St. NE
Washington DC 20426

*1st class mail is routed through Ohio to be irradiated after incidents with anthrax and will take two weeks to arrive. To bypass this, send mail through UPS overnight.

Submit a comment electronically:
<https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>

TEAM 2014 Project is before FERC under Docket CP13-84. All documents are on the Internet at:
http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/docket_sheet.asp?docket=CP13-84&Subdocket=000

TO REPORT AN INCIDENT:

To report a suspicious or unsafe incident as much documentation as possible is preferred, from a safe distance photograph or video the incident. Keep detailed records of the time, date, duration and nature of the event. Take notes on who was contacted, how they plan to respond and the complaint number issued. We also encourage follow up with the Marcellus Citizen Stewardship Project (mcsp@mtwatershed.com, 724-455-4200 ex. 4#) to help ensure no issue goes unresolved.

1. **The National Response Center (NRC)** is the sole federal point of contact for reporting oil and chemical spills. If you have a spill to report, contact us via our toll-free number or check out our Web Site for additional information on reporting requirements and procedures. 800-424-8802 or 202-267-2675. The NRC operates 24/7. Or online: <http://www.nrc.uscg.mil/pls/apex/f?p=201:2:0::NO>



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2. **Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection**,
24hr hotline: 412-442-4000.

3. **PA Fish and Boat Commission**, South West Regional office (9-
5pm) 814-445-8974