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EPA OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL INVITES COMMUNITY TO LISTENING SESSION ABOUT THE AMPHENOL SITE IN FRANKLIN, INDIANA

WHAT: **Franklin, Indiana** – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Inspector General (OIG) will hold a listening session to solicit input from community members regarding the EPA’s communication with residents about the Amphenol/Franklin Power Products site in Franklin, Indiana, related to:

- Site sampling and monitoring results.
- Indicators of human health risk.
- Schedules and milestones for planned and completed site activities.
- Safeguards in place for protecting human health.
- Actions needed to avoid exposure to harmful contaminants or substances.
- The overall timeliness/effectiveness of the EPA’s communication regarding this site.

This listening session will be the first of as many as four the OIG will hold in communities nationwide to obtain feedback from residents who live near sites where the EPA is working.

WHEN: Wednesday, May 8, 6–8 p.m. EDT.

WHERE: Beeson Hall, Cultural Arts and Recreation Center, 396 Branigin Blvd., Franklin, Indiana.

WHO: **All local residents are invited.**

HOW: Each community member will be given three minutes to speak on the specified subject areas—with the possibility of additional time after all others have spoken. The OIG requests that participants follow a few ground rules: (1) avoid talking while others are speaking, (2) refrain from personal confrontations or attacks and (3) respect agreements about time. The OIG will hear oral statements to aid in determining whether the EPA has been communicating in a manner that allows impacted communities to avoid exposure to harmful contaminants or substances. A comment box also will be made available to submit written documentation.

WHY: On February 4, 2019, the OIG announced a [review](#) of the EPA’s communication of human health risks posed by sites in the Office of Land and Emergency Management’s programs. The OIG is an independent office within the EPA that performs audits, evaluations and investigations of the EPA and its contractors, to promote economy and efficiency and prevent and detect fraud, waste and abuse. By helping the EPA operate more economically, effectively and efficiently, the OIG contributes to improved environmental quality and human health. The OIG strives to provide solutions to problems that ultimately result in making America a cleaner and healthier place.

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