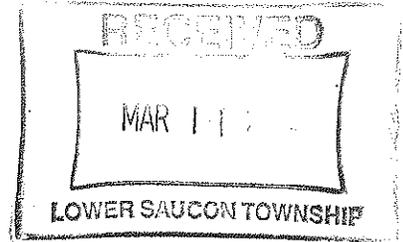




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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

SECRETARY



March 4, 2016

The Honorable Robert L. Freeman
Pennsylvania House of Representatives
House Post Office Box 202136
Harrisburg, PA 17120-2136

Dear Representative Freeman:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the request to change the date of the public hearing for the proposed landfill expansion at the IESI Landfill in Lower Saucon Township, Northampton County. The Department of Environmental Protection has rescheduled the public hearing to be held on April 13, 2016. A copy of the press release is enclosed.

Thank you for your interest in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Clark, Director of Legislative Affairs, by e-mail at saraclark@pa.gov or by telephone at 717.783.8303.

Respectfully,

John Quigley
Secretary

Enclosure

S cc: Leslie Huhn, Lower Saucon Twp.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

02/29/2016

DEP Changes Date of Hearing for Proposed Landfill Expansion in Northampton County

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has changed the date of the public hearing regarding IESI Landfill's permit application to expand its existing facility on Applebutter Road in Bethlehem, Northampton County. The hearing will take place on Wednesday, April 13 from 6 to 9 pm at Saucon Valley High School, located at 2100 Polk Valley Road, Hellertown, PA. The original date of the hearing was Wednesday, March 16.

The company is requesting an expansion of 6 acres, with 22.5 acres overtopping existing landfilled areas. Residents will be allowed to give public testimony regarding the application.

"The hearing is part of the department's efforts to get input from the public about this expansion and how they feel about it," said Mike Bedrin, director of DEP's Northeast Regional Office. "We look forward to hearing the comments regarding this application."

IESI filed the original expansion application on January 21, 2015. A public meeting to answer questions about the expansion application was held on Tuesday, June 25 at Saucon Valley High School. The public comment period for the application ends on Thursday, March 31.

A copy of IESI's permit application can be viewed at DEP's Northeast Regional Office (NERO) located at 2 Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, 18701 or the DEP's Bethlehem District Office located at 4530 Bath Pike, Bethlehem 18017. Those wishing to make an appointment to view the documents can do so between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm by calling the Northeast Regional Office at 570-826-2511 or the Bethlehem District Office at 610-861-2070.

Written public comments regarding the expansion application will be accepted until 4 pm on Thursday, March 31. Those comments can be sent to Roger Bellas, Waste Management Program Director at rbellas@pa.gov or Colleen Connolly, Community Relations Coordinator at coconnolly@pa.gov.

Individuals in need of an accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 should contact Colleen Connolly, or make accommodations through the Pennsylvania AT&T Relay Service at 1-800-654-5984 (TDD).

For more information, visit www.dep.pa.gov.

WHAT: Public Hearing- IESI Landfill permit expansion application

WHEN: Wednesday, April 13, 6-9pm

WHERE: Saucon Valley High School, 2100 Polk Valley Road, Hellertown, PA

CONTACT: Colleen Connolly, 570-826-2035