# **TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**



#### **EXAMPLE A**

#### **COMBINED**

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

#### **AND**

# NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR AIR QUALITY PERMITS

PROPOSED AIR QUALITY PERMIT NUMBERS 181009, PSDTX1670, AND GHGPSDTX254

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Fermi Equipment Holdco, LLC, 600 South Tyler Street, Suite 1501, Amarillo, Texas 79101-2351, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of proposed State Air Quality Permit 181009, issuance of Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Air Quality Permit PSDTX1670, and issuance of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) PSD Air Quality Permit GHGPSDTX254 for emissions of GHGs, which would authorize construction of an electric generating plant located at located approximately 15 miles northeast of Amarillo, along US Highway 60, near the intersection of U.S. Highway 60 and Farm-to-Market Road 2373, on north side of the road, Amarillo, Carson County, Texas 79101. This application was processed in an expedited manner, as allowed by the commission's rules in 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 101, Subchapter J. AVISO DE IDIOMA ALTERNATIVO. El aviso de idioma alternativo en espanol está disponible en

https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/air/newsourcereview/airpermits-pendingpermit-apps. The proposed facility will emit the following air contaminants in a significant amount: carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less and sulfur dioxide. In addition, the facility will emit the following air contaminants: ammonia, hazardous air pollutants, hydrogen sulfide and sulfuric acid mist.

The degree of PSD increment predicted to be consumed by the proposed facility and other increment-consuming sources in the area is as follows:

### PM<sub>10</sub>

Maximum Averaging Time	Maximum Increment Consumed (μg/m³)	Allowable Increment (µg/m³)
24-hour	11	30
Annual	4	17

#### Nitrogen Dioxide

Maximum	Maximum	
Averaging	Increment	Allowable
Time	Consumed (µg/m³)	Increment (µg/m³)
Annual	3	25

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Maximum Averaging Time	Maximum Increment Consumed (µg/m³)	Allowable Increment (µg/m³)
24-hour	7.4	9
Annual	2	4

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on August 1, 2025. The executive director has determined that the emissions of air contaminants from the proposed facility which are subject to PSD review will not violate any state or federal air quality regulations and will not have any significant adverse impact on soils, vegetation, or visibility. All air contaminants have been evaluated, and "best available control technology" will be used for the control of these contaminants.

The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The permit application, executive director's preliminary decision, draft permit, and the executive director's preliminary determination summary and executive director's air quality analysis, will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Amarillo regional office, and at the Carson County Public Library, 401 Main Street, Panhandle, Carson County, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Amarillo Regional Office, 5809 South Western Street, Suite 260, Amarillo, Texas. The application, including any updates, is available electronically at the following webpage: <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/air/airpermit-applications-notices">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/air/airpermit-applications-notices</a>.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting on this application because it was requested by local legislators. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. A public meeting will be held and will consist of two parts, an Informal Discussion Period and a Formal Comment Period. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act. During the Informal Discussion Period, the public will be encouraged to ask questions of the applicant and TCEQ staff concerning the permit application. The comments and questions submitted orally during the Informal Discussion Period will not be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application, and no formal response will be made. Responses will be provided orally during the Informal Discussion Period. During the Formal Comment Period on the permit application, members of the public may state their formal comments orally into the official record. At the conclusion of the comment period, all formal comments will be considered before a decision is reached on the permit application. A written response to all formal comments will be prepared by the executive director and will be sent to each person who submits a formal comment or who requested to be on the mailing list for this permit application and provides a mailing address. Only relevant and material issues raised during the Formal Comment Period can be considered if a contested case hearing is granted on this permit application.

The Public Meeting is to be held:

Thursday, December 4, 2025, at 7:00 PM
Carson County War Memorial
500 Main Street
Panhandle, Texas 79068

Persons with disabilities who need special accommodations at the meeting should call the Office of the Chief Clerk at 512-239-3300 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) at least five business days prior to the meeting.

You may submit additional written public comments within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice in the manner set forth in the AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION paragraph below, or by the date of the public meeting, whichever is later.

RESPONSE TO COMMENTS AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Because no timely hearing requests have been received, after preparing the response to comments, the executive director may then issue final approval of the application. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application, and will be posted electronically to the Commissioners' Integrated Database (CID).

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE.** These documents are accessible through the Commission's Web site at <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid">www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid</a>: the executive director's preliminary decision which includes the draft permit, the executive director's preliminary determination summary, air quality analysis, and, once available, the executive director's response to comments and the final decision on this application. Access the Commissioners' Integrated Database (CID) using the

above link and enter the permit number for this application. The public location mentioned above provides public access to the internet. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. https://gisweb.tceg.texas.gov/LocationMapper/?marker=-101.5776,35.2843&level=13.

**MAILING LIST.** You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. You may request a contested case hearing regarding the portions of the application for State Air Quality Permit Number 181009 and for PSD Air Quality Permit Number PSDTX1670. There is no opportunity to request a contested case hearing regarding the portion of the application for GHG PSD Air Quality Permit Number GHGPSDTX254. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court. A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants, other than GHGs, from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. A contested case hearing request must include the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility; and (7) a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period. If the request is made by a group or association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing must be identified by name and physical address. The interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law that are relevant and material to the Commission's decisions on the application. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. Issues that are not submitted in public comments may not be considered during a hearing.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION.** The executive director may issue final approval of the application for the portion of the application for GHG PSD Air Quality Permit GHGPSDTX254. If a timely contested case hearing request is not received or if all timely contested case hearing requests are withdrawn regarding State Air Quality Permit Number 181009 and for PSD Air Quality Permit Number PSDTX1670, the executive director may issue final approval of the application. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application, and will be posted electronically to the CID. If any timely hearing requests are received and not withdrawn, the executive director will not issue final approval of the State Air Quality Permit Number 181009 and for PSD Air Quality Permit Number PSDTX1670 and will forward the application and requests to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled commission meeting.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION.** Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment">www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/comment</a>, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep">www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep</a>. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. You can also view our website for public participation opportunities at <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/participation">www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/participation</a>.

Further information may also be obtained from Fermi Equipment Holdco LLC at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Elizabeth Stanko, Director, Energy Transition Projects at (713) 244-1039.

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