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RE: Air Permit Fee Changes

To Air Quality Permit Holders and Applicants:

Effective January 1, 2022, any application or request must include the new or updated fee. In September 2021, Allegheny County Council approved, and the County Executive signed, legislation revising Article XXI: Air Pollution Control regulations to update the permit fee schedule. The application fees are significantly different than the fees in the past, so please review the schedule prior to submitting an application. The updated fee schedule is comparable to that of the new 2021 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania fee schedule. These fees were last increased in 2005.

Enclosed with this letter is the schedule for all new and updated fees which will be effective through 2031. The updated fee schedule is also available on the website of the Allegheny County Health Department's Permitting page under "Air Quality Program Fee Schedule" (https://bit.ly/ACHD-AQ-Permitting).

The fee schedule now includes an annual maintenance fee which will replace the annual administrative fee for permitted facilities. The updated maintenance fees are \$8,000 for Title V Permitted facilities, \$4,000 for Synthetic Minor Permitted facilities, \$2,000 for Natural Minor Permitted facilities, and \$500 for a new category of "small" sources. This maintenance fee does not replace the annual Title V emission fees due September 1st of each year for Title V facilities.

The updated annual maintenance fees are due on or before February 28, 2022. In subsequent years, the maintenance fee will be due no later than December 31st annually. In other words, the 2022 maintenance fees are due by February 28, 2022, and the 2023 fee will be due December 31, 2022. Permit holders who have already paid their annual administrative fee for part of 2022 will receive a prorated credit on their 2022 maintenance fee.

Also, effective January 1, 2022, Request for Determinations are subject to an application fee. The application fee will be \$600, except for applications submitted by sources that meet the definition of small business stationary source, which will be \$400.





The new air quality regulations, as well as all supporting documents, can be found on the ACHD website listed above. We appreciate your time and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure