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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Notifies Local Residents That It's Watching Metalico Scrapyard Emissions on Neville Island

Pittsburgh, Pa. – EPA Region 3 has notified residents of Allegheny County Clean Air Now (ACCAN) that it shares its "continued concerns" with emissions from the Metalico facility on Neville Island and has issued (or will be issuing) an "Enforcement Alert" that puts the company on notice that its scrap shredding activities may be subject to Clean Air Act requirements that may have been previously overlooked.

"EPA R3 continues to work toward a resolution of the Notification of Noncompliance (NON) that the EPA issued to Metalico on Nov. 5, 2020," said Karen Melvin, Director Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division in a written letter. "Please rest assured that our staff is aware of the camera data and continues to be in close communication with the Allegheny County Health Department concerning the Metalico facility."

Because this is an ongoing enforcement matter, EPA could not elaborate further, the letter said.

Graf on why the EPA is identifying scrapyards for these enforcement alerts. TK to include?

"We are encouraged by the EPA's positive response," said XXXXXX. "Residents living near Neville Island have endured more than three years of smelly pollution, explosions

and fires from Metalico scrapyard. We are tired of being abused by this industrial polluter."