

You are invited to participate in a Virtual Community Meeting about Ethylene Oxide Thursday, September 23, 2021 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has determined that the chemical compound, **ethylene oxide**, poses significantly more risks to human health than previously thought. That compound is used at the Union Carbide, International Flavors and Fragrances/Specialty Products, and Covestro LLC chemical production facilities at Institute and South Charleston, WV. EPA and the WV Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) will hold a virtual meeting to provide members of the communities located near those facilities with information about ethylene oxide and its known health effects. Due to the ongoing pandemic and in lieu of meeting in person, EPA and WVDEP will conduct a virtual meeting to provide an opportunity to engage with the local community. EPA and WVDEP will provide information and answer questions about why EPA is concerned about ethylene oxide, how those concerns are being addressed by EPA and WVDEP, and future actions planned by those regulatory agencies for the production facilities and the local communities.

Please test your computer or mobile app prior to attending the meeting using the link below. Technical support is limited and subject to significant delays.

Meeting Format	Zoom Cloud Meeting Video and Call Conference
Community Meeting	Topics for discussion include: why EPA is concerned about ethylene oxide, how ethylene oxide is being addressed by EPA and WVDEP, and future actions.
Meeting Web Address (URL) Note: Closed captioning available for web participants	<u>https://usepa.zoomgov.com/j/1607241585</u> Meeting ID: 160 724 1585
Date and Time	September 23, 2021, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Dial-in Audio ONLY for Meeting Note: Translation and toll-free are not available for dial-in	US: +1 669 254 5252 or +1 646 828 7666 or +1 669 216 1590 or +1 551 285 1373 Meeting ID: 160 724 1585

If you have problems joining by phone or online on the day of the meeting, please contact Phillip Workman at 267-294-7825 or Workman.Philip@epa.gov.

The following national EPA websites have updated information on ethylene oxide, Agency actions, and frequently asked questions:

- <u>https://www.epa.gov/hazardous-air-pollutants-ethylene-oxide</u>
- <u>https://www.epa.gov/hazardous-air-pollutants-ethylene-oxide/frequent-questions-health-information-about-ethylene-oxide</u>

Questions about Ethylene Oxide can be submitted in advance of the meeting to: <u>R3EthyleneOxide@epa.gov</u>.

EPA and WVDEP encourage the broadest community participation. If non-English speaking residents require translation services, please contact Gail Scott, EPA Region 3 at 215-814-2069 or <u>scott.gail@epa.gov</u> at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

All news media inquiries should be directed to the EPA Region 3 Press Office at <u>R3Press@epa.gov</u>.