



## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Pima County Department of Environmental Quality (PDEQ) proposes to revise the existing Air Quality Permit No. 1052 to Tucson Electric Power (TEP) Irvington/H.Wilson Sundt Generating Station (IGS) located at 3950 E. Irvington Rd. TEP is proposing to remove the continuous opacity monitoring system (COMS) installed on Electrical Steam Generating Unit I4. The COMS was installed to satisfy Installation Permit #1156, issued in November 1981, to support the conversion to coal as a fuel for Unit I4. Since Unit I4 no longer burns coal or fuel oil, there is no regulatory requirement for COMS on a gas-fired EGU.

TEP has demonstrated long standing continuous compliance over Unit I4 for a period of two and half years, at all load levels across the unit operating spectrum. PDEQ has determined that this regulatory compliance demonstration is satisfactory and is consistent with the control of the units' opacity limit and thus the COMS is no longer warranted. Unit I4 remains subject to an average optical density opacity limit of 20%. This opacity limit will endure after the COMS is removed.

Any person may submit a written comment or a request to PDEQ to conduct a public hearing for the purpose of receiving oral or written comments on the proposed permit. All written comments shall state the name and mailing address of the person, shall be signed by the person, his agent or his attorney and shall clearly set forth the reasons why the permit should or should not be issued. **Such comments and requests shall be received by PDEQ no later than February 3, 2021.** Grounds for comment are limited to this permit revision and whether the proposed permit meets the criteria for issuance prescribed in the Arizona Revised Statutes Section § 49-481 and Title 17 of the Pima County Code. Only persons who submit written comments during the official public comment period may appeal a permit decision. Comments and requests may be mailed to: PDEQ, Air Program Manager, Rupesh Patel, 33 N. Stone Avenue, Suite 700, Tucson, Arizona 85701 or via e-mail at [air.permits@pima.gov](mailto:air.permits@pima.gov). PDEQ does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, or age in its programs or activities in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. Further, any person who is in need of special services (e.g., written material in large type, signer for the hearing impaired, or for free assistance in Spanish), please contact PDEQ's Environmental Justice Program Manager, Beth Gorman, 33 N. Stone Avenue, Suite 700, Tucson, Arizona, 85701, Phone (520) 724-7446, email [beth.gorman@pima.gov](mailto:beth.gorman@pima.gov).

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