

WV ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with state and federal requirements, the WV Environmental Quality Board will conduct a public hearing on June 29, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. at 601 57th Street, SE, Charleston, WV in the hearing room located on the first floor. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments on proposed revisions to the legislative rule: 46 CSR1, “Requirements Governing Water Quality Standards”.

The proposed revision results from the Board’s receipt of an application for a site-specific variance from Union Carbide Corporation (DOW). The variance would establish alternate limits for the chloride criterion for Category A, Category C and Category B1 (chronic aquatic life protection) of 310 mg/liter in Ward Hollow of Davis Creek, in Kanawha County. The application was filed and reviewed in accordance with the provisions of the Water Quality Standards rule and legislative rule 46 CSR 6 – “Procedural Rules Governing Site-Specific Revisions to Water Quality Standards.” The Board has reviewed the application and determined that consideration of a variance from the chloride criterion in Ward Hollow of Davis Creek is warranted.

People wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to be present or represented at the hearing. Oral statements will be heard and the submission of written statements is encouraged for accuracy of the record. Written comments will also be accepted at the Board office through June 30, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

The proposed rule is available online at <http://www.wveqb.org>. In addition, copies of the proposed rule may be obtained by contacting the WV Environmental Quality Board at 601 57th Street, SE, Charleston, WV 25304; by calling (304) 926-0445, ext. 1683; or by email at clerk@wvaqbeqb.org.