

1 PROCEEDINGS

2 MS. McCARRON: My name is Mary
3 McCarron. Thank you for taking the time to
4 come to the hearing today. I'm a public
5 information officer at Ohio EPA.

6 The State of Ohio plans to ask the
7 U.S. EPA to officially recognize that air
8 quality in the Canton-Massillon area meets the
9 1997 annual and the 2006 24-hour federal fine
10 particulates standards.

11 The proposed redesignation request
12 affects Stark County.

13 Comments can be submitted until the
14 close of business today, June 6, 2012. You
15 may email comments to Erika Fetty.
16 fetty@epa.ohio.gov.

17 All interested persons are entitled to
18 attend or be represented, and to present oral
19 and/or written comments concerning the
20 proposed action. All written and oral
21 comments received as part of the official
22 record will be considered by the Director of
23 Ohio EPA before a final decision is made.

24 If you wish to present testimony at
25 this hearing, I will call you up in the order

1 that you signed in and if you do not want to
2 provide testimony go ahead and say, "pass".

3 There is no cross-examination of
4 speakers or representative of Ohio EPA in
5 public hearings such as this. Ohio EPA
6 hearings provide citizens the opportunity to
7 submit comments on the official record.
8 Therefore, we will not be able to answer any
9 questions during the hearing. However, Ohio
10 EPA staff may ask clarifying questions of the
11 person testifying to ensure the record is as
12 complete as possible.

13 I will go ahead and read the names of
14 those who have registered. Bob --

15 MR. NAU: Nau.

16 MS. McCARRON: What is it?

17 MR. NAU: Nau.

18 MS. McCARRON: Can you state your
19 name, spell it for the court reporter and then
20 proceed with your testimony?

21 MR. NAU: My name is Bob Nau,
22 N-a-u. I'm the Executive Director of the
23 Stark County Regional Planning Commission and
24 the Stark County Area Transportation Study,
25 which is the local metropolitan planning

1 organization for purposes of transportation
2 planning. I'm here to support the Ohio EPA's
3 request to ask the U.S. EPA to recognize that
4 air quality in the Canton-Massillon area meets
5 the 1997 annual and the 2006 24-hour federal
6 fine particulates standards and to support
7 that request that is important to Stark
8 County, not only from a transportation
9 planning standpoint, but also to promote
10 economic development and the health, safety
11 and welfare of our residence.

12 MS. McCARRON: Thank you.

13 Karl Lucas.

14 MR. LUCAS: I can pass.

15 MS. McCARRON: Okay. At this time,
16 there is nobody else present to provide
17 testimony so we will go off the record until
18 3:00 p.m.

19 (Recess taken.)

20 MS. McCARRON: We are back on the
21 record.

22 The time is now 3:00 p.m. And we will
23 close the hearing.

24 (Hearing concluded at 3:00 p.m.)

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1 State of Ohio,)
) SS:
2 County of Cuyahoga.)

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In Re:

Ohio EPA Requests
Recognition of Improved Air
Quality in Northeast Ohio.

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