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Subject: Norfolk Southern Railway Co. Air Permit Application
Ethanol Transloading Facility

Dear Mr. Young:

Thank you for your May 6 letter regarding the air permitting process for the proposed expansion of Norfolk Southern Railway Company's (NSRC) Ethanol Transloading Facility. As you know, we provided you with an initial draft permit as notification of the NRSC application because we were aware of the City's concern with this operation.

This letter is to advise you that DEQ will have a public comment period and hold an information meeting and a hearing on the draft permit. Because we are still in the process of finalizing a draft permit, we are unable to provide specific details about the meeting and hearing at this time. It will likely be several more weeks before we have a draft permit ready for notice. We will notify you as soon as possible when this draft is ready and we will forward a copy to you. We will also coordinate with you when planning the public meeting and hearing.

DEQ is processing the permit application in accordance with the State Air Pollution Control Board regulations (9 VAC 5-80-1100 et seq.). The draft permit for the proposed project will include standards and conditions for operation (including the use of best available control technology, ethanol throughput, emission limits, monitoring, recordkeeping, etc.). In evaluating stationary sources and projects of potential air emissions, DEQ can consider such a proposal only as it pertains to air quality as defined by applicable regulations.

Thank you again for responding to us and confirming the City's interest in this permit application. If you have any questions at any time, or would like more information, please

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