

Press Release



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To: Village website

Re: **Mayor Trilla Attends Briefing Meeting at the USEPA
Region 5 Offices on Friday, September 28, 2018**

On Friday, September 28th, Willowbrook Mayor Frank Trilla attended a U.S. EPA briefing on the Sterigenics emissions issue, along with state Representative Jim Durkin, state Senator John Curran, Burr Ridge Mayor Mickey Straub, DuPage County Board Member Greg Hart and a Darien city representative, as well as state and federal officials.

Those in attendance were told the EPA has received preliminary results from stack testing done at Sterigenics and staff is starting to analyze the results. EPA officials have committed to sharing results in real time and told us the final report could be up to four weeks away.

When EPA officials were asked if they would shut down Sterigenics until the results are finalized, they advised they are examining Section 112 of the Clean Air Act to see what authority they have, but have not made any decision.

The EPA has committed to perform 24-hour ambient air monitoring in Willowbrook. The plan is being drafted and EPA officials have asked for Willowbrook's input.

While future health risk assessment is important, so is finding out past exposure risk. When asked about the past exposure risk, EPA officials assured us they are looking at that and are committed to working with Willowbrook on assessing all health risks related to the emissions

In closing, we are scheduling another community meeting with the EPA so all questions from the latest stack testing can be answered in person. The meeting will take place as soon as final test results are available, which may be up to four weeks away.

EPA officials know we all have questions and lack answers. Officials have committed to providing answers.

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