Find out why dangerous leaks happen

To: Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ)

RE: Louisiana Integrated Polyethylene JV LLC — Draft Water Discharge Permit

Agency Interest (AI): 226602

Activity: PER20260001

LPDES Permit: LA0127532

Dear LDEQ:

When a chemical plant has a leak, families nearby want to know why it happened and what will be done to stop it from happening again. Materials reviewed for this permit describe a July 19, 2024 leak involving benzene and 1,3-butadiene after a piece of equipment failed. Saying equipment failed early does not tell us why it failed.

Please require LIP JV to find the real cause of serious leaks, check similar equipment, and make repairs before another accident happens. Please explain what steps LDEQ will require to protect workers, neighbors, and our water.

Thank you for considering my comment. Please include it in the public record and respond to the concerns I raised.

Printed name: _____

Signature: _____

City or community: _____

Date signed: _____