

# Exhibit 6

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**From:** Rita Botts [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 23, 2022 11:55 PM  
**To:** ENRD, PUBCOMMENT-EES (ENRD)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comment Regarding U.S. Steel Edgar Thomson Agreement

Dear Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division,

I am a homeowner, taxpayer, and voter in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. I am writing to comment on the consent decree related to *United States and Allegheny County Health Department v. United States Steel Corporation*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-5-2-1-12083.

Firstly, this consent decree lacks language that would guarantee that the approved projects will result in meaningful emissions reductions at the Edgar Thomson facility.

Secondly, the document fails to ensure transparency. It does not require the EPA and/or Allegheny County Health Department to provide the public with updates related to projects, audits, and deadlines. The decree should mandate that agencies create a public clearinghouse so residents can review all reports and outputs.

Thirdly, the proposed SEP for use of ACHD's \$750,000 portion of the fine is inappropriate. While a multimodal trail project would benefit the community, it does nothing to mitigate the public health impacts inflicted on residents for years. Furthermore, the SEP was developed with zero community input. This fine could be far more effective if put toward projects that would directly improve residents' physical health and measurably improve air quality in their immediate neighborhood.

The consent decree should be revised to 1) clearly mandate meaningful reductions in emissions, 2) require all reports and outputs be quickly published for public review, and 3) include a community-drafted and community-driven SEP. Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Rita Botts  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania