Requesting a Contested Case Hearing

What is a Contested Case Hearing?

This is a state-governed hearing where people may contest an agency's decision based on its potential infringement on their rights and privileges.

Who can request a Contested Case Hearing?

- A person who may be affected by emissions of air pollutants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing
  - This person must reside in a permanent residence in close proximity to the proposed plant
- Anyone can ask their elected official to request a hearing

How do you request a hearing?

The following should be submitted:

- Your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number
  - If the request is made by a group or association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing must be identified by name and physical address
- Permit applicant name and registration number
- The statement “[I/we] request a contested case hearing”
- Specific description of how the applicant (person or group) would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public
- The location and distance of your property relative to the facility
- Description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility
- List of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period
- Interests which the group or association seeks to protect must be identified
  - You may submit your proposed adjustments to the application which would satisfy your concerns.

Air Alliance Houston may be able to support/represent you if you are interested in challenging a permit.