

# **ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

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Honorable Gina McCarthy  
Administrator  
U.S Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Ms. McCarthy:

As Erie County Legislator for the 3rd Legislative District, I am writing to request that the EPA strongly scrutinize the renewal of the DuPont Yerkes Title V (Permit ID 9-1464-00031/00292). I represent a significant portion of the Town of Tonawanda, and many constituents have expressed their concerns regarding this permit renewal and its potential impact on their health and welfare.

With over 50 air-permitted facilities within a two-mile radius of the Town of Tonawanda, it is imperative that our environmental regulatory agencies, businesses, and community and government stakeholders work together to ensure that the public health concerns expressed by residents are addressed. It is specifically essential that the public have the confidence that the highest environmental standards are enforced and adhered to, therefore I urge you to strongly take this into consideration in your review of this permit renewal.

My office has a strong interest in assessing ongoing environmental, public health, and worker safety concerns at the Yerkes plant, aiming to preserve jobs while protecting the health and safety of my constituents. It is my position that this facility should be held to the highest environmental standards available to ensure that community concerns are addressed and to protect the public health.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (716) 832-0493.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter J. Savage, III".

Peter J. Savage, III  
Legislator, 3rd District