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Questionnaire for Feedback on the Effectiveness of a Public Hearing *EPA/Contractor Assessment*

Background

This questionnaire is designed to obtain an EPA/contractor perspective on the effectiveness of a Public Hearing. Agency staff will use this information to better understand what is working well and what improvements could make future Public Hearings more successful. Thanks in advance for taking time to fill out the questionnaire. We value your input!

Directions

Rate the following statements on a scale from 1-7 and write your own opinion to questions in the space provided. If you have no opinion, circle the number representing "Don't know." Please return your questionnaire to an EPA official before you leave.

Strongly disagree
Disagree
Somewhat disagree
Somewhat agree
Agree
Strongly agree
Don't know

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| The registration process was efficient. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Participants understood the purpose of the hearing. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Participants understood how the hearing would be conducted. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| The right topics were addressed during the hearing. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| The format gave all ample opportunity to be heard. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| There was courteous interaction between speakers and hearing officials. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| There was a good mix of viewpoints. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Speakers received respectful treatment. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| EPA gained new, or clarifying, information, that will enable it to more effectively develop, revise, or implement rules or programs. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| This public hearing was a success. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Please explain your ranking of the previous statement about success: _____

Please suggest how EPA can improve its next public hearing: _____

**Please return your completed questionnaire to an EPA official before you leave.
Thank you for helping EPA improve its public involvement practices.**

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