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Citizen Science Community Resources (CSCR) to Hold Community Forum Regarding Tonawanda Coke

Federal Prosecutors, Tonawanda Leaders and Citizen Science Community Resources (CSCR) to hold community forum to update and solicit input from community in determining the extent of Tonawanda Coke's pollution that has impacted residents and nearby neighborhoods.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Aaron J. Mango and Senior Trial Attorney Rocky Piaggione for the U.S. Department of Justice who handled the prosecution in the landmark case U.S. v. Tonawanda Coke Corp. and Mark Kamholz, will provide a sentencing update regarding the government's position pursuant to the Crime Victims' Rights Act (CVRA). It is the prosecution's position that certain community members living and working in the vicinity of Tonawanda Coke may potentially be classified as victims because they have suffered a harm under the CVRA. If you have been exposed to Tonawanda Coke's pollution and believe that you have suffered a harm, you should attend the meeting.

Local Tonawanda Leader and founder of the Clean Air Coalition of WNY, Jackie James Creedon, along with university researchers, Dr. Joe Gardella from University at Buffalo and Dr. Mike Milligan from SUNY Fredonia, will present soil test results from a study conducted by the group and local high school citizen scientists in four impacted neighborhoods on Grand Island, the City and Town of Tonawanda, NY. The group believes contaminants coming from Tonawanda Coke could have migrated off site into people's backyards.

Citizen Science Community Resources (CSCR), formerly Tonawanda Community Fund, is sponsoring the event.

- March 3rd, 2014 6:30-8pm
- Sheridan Parkside Community Center located at 169 Sheridan Parkside Dr. in Tonawanda.
- A community question/answer session will follow the presentations.

CSCR provides citizen science resources and empowers people to scientifically investigate their air, soil, and water to help them address issues of concern in their environment.

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