ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
CASE STUDY WORKSHEET

INSTRUCTIONS:

Read over the case study. Respond to each question and make notes of key findings. Discuss your observations with the group and prepare to report on the group's conclusion, using a large easel pad.

KNOWING THE COMMUNITY

- What do you know about the community?
- What are the demographics of this community?
- Are there additional community information and/or other demographic indicators (i.e. children or elderly) that are important to consider?

DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACTS

- Describe any potential or actual adverse health or environmental effects/impacts?
- What evidence exists to describe these effects/impacts?
- Are environmental laws being complied with?

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MEANINGFUL INVOLVEMENT

- What do you know about how the affected community participated in the decision-making process?
- How has information been made available to the community (i.e. translation, understandable and accessible materials, personal contact, clearly explained technical information, including potential risk, distribution.)
- To what degree did the community influence the decision-making?

BENEFITS AND BURDENS

- What benefits, direct and indirect – economic, social, cultural, environmental, health – will result from the proposed action?
- What burdens, direct and indirect – economic, social, cultural, environmental, health – will result from the proposed action?
- What stakeholder groups are involved?