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## Health Department Weekly Update Regarding Mon Valley Air Quality Weekly Updates Suspended, Department Committed to Communicating Emergent Issues

**PITTSBURGH** – The Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) reported today that there were no SO<sub>2</sub> exceedances at any of the three air quality monitors in the Mon Valley in the past week. As previously reported, the last SO<sub>2</sub> exceedance on those monitors occurred on February 4.

There is also no update on the repairs to the Clairton Coke Works in the past week, as the plant's work based on their prior briefings is ongoing. The department continues to monitor daily progress and, as previously noted, U.S. Steel is providing information regarding repairs of the plant on its website: http://www.clairton.uss.com.

As there is no additional news at this time, this will be the last ACHD weekly update. If there are ongoing, emerging issues to be addressed, those will be done immediately by the department via press release, social media post on the Health Department's <u>Facebook</u> page, and through <u>Allegheny Alerts</u> messages to subscribers.

As a reminder, there is no need for Mon Valley residents to take specific precautions. The Health Department continues to remind sensitive populations across the county, particularly those with existing respiratory conditions, that they may need to limit their outdoor activities when air quality is deemed unhealthy for sensitive groups. As the department has been doing, the daily update regarding SO<sub>2</sub> status in the Mon Valley provided each day at 3 p.m. will continue.

Please continue to report air quality health issues to ACHD. Residents can call the department at 412-687-ACHD (412-687-2243), or submit information through an online contact form.

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