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ERC Conference to be held at LDEQ Jan. 26

BATON ROUGE – The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality will soon be implementing a revision to its emission reduction credit (ERC) banking rule that expands the eligibility of emission reduction projects to mobile sources (e.g. trucks, marine vessels, trains). Implementing this new ERC strategy will help improve Baton Rouge air quality and mitigate constraints to economic development of the current “point source only” banking system.

To help the regulated community and general public better understand the ramifications of this banking rule revision, Baton Rouge Clean Air Coalition in conjunction with LDEQ is sponsoring a conference Thursday, Jan. 26, at the LDEQ Conference Center at LDEQ headquarters in the Galvez Building, 602 N 5<sup>th</sup> Street in downtown Baton Rouge.

The daylong conference will feature speakers from a variety of sectors and discussion of how to create and bank emission reduction credits. Speakers will address the specifics of the new banking rule (AQ365); air quality and economic benefits; ERC project opportunities with roadway, marine, and rail emission sources; a new information resources website; interpollutant trading; Baton Rouge area emissions credits markets; legal issues with the new ERC program; and comparisons with a similar program being developed in Texas.

Dr. Chuck Carr Brown, LDEQ secretary, will open the conference.

Lunch and snacks will be provided. The conference is free but registration is required. If interested, you may register at <https://louisianacleanfuels.starchapter.com/meet-reg1.php?mi=342180&id=33>