

Public Notice
Proposed Issuance of a State Construction Permit
and Notice of Public Hearing for
MEP Flora Power, LLC, Flora

MEP Flora Power, LLC, Kansas City, Missouri, has applied to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to construct an electrical generation facility to be located on township roads, approximately 3 1/2 miles northwest of Flora, in Clay County. The facility would use six turbines to generate up to 508.5 megawatts of electricity. This facility would not be a major source of air emissions pursuant to the "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (40 CFR 52.21), or "New Source Performance Standards" (40 CFR 60 Subpart GG for Stationary Gas Turbines).

The Illinois EPA will hold a public hearing on Thursday, December 21, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ramada Limited at 201 Gary Hagen Drive on the north side of Flora at the intersection of routes 50 and 45. The hearing will be held by the Illinois EPA to receive comments and data and to answer questions from the public prior to making a final decision concerning the permit. Lengthy comments and questions should be submitted to the Illinois EPA in writing. Written comments must be postmarked by midnight, January 12, 2001. Comments need not be notarized and should be sent to the Illinois EPA Hearing Officer, 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276.

Emissions from the facility would be minimized by use of natural gas as the only fuel and good combustion practices. The analysis of air quality impacts performed for the proposed facility indicates that the facility would not have significant impacts on ambient air quality.

Persons wanting more information may review the Illinois EPA's project summary at www.epa.gov/ARD-R5/permits/ilonline.htm (please look for the documents under All Permit Records, State Construction Permits, New). These documents along with the application may also be reviewed at the Illinois EPA's offices at 2009 Mall Street, Collinsville (618/346-5120) and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, (217/782-7027). Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

For information or requests concerning the hearing, application or draft permit, please contact:
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1-888/372-1996 (if using the toll free number, please leave a message with your name, phone number, the facility you are calling about and that the message is for Brad Frost).