

Public Notice

Proposed Issuance of a New Source Review Construction Permit for Plains Marketing, L.P., Vernon

Plains Marketing, L.P. has applied to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) for a construction permit to build five storage tanks at its existing tank farm located at 8900 Farthing Road, Vernon, Illinois. Emissions of volatile organic material (VOM) from each tank would be minimized by external floating roofs with double seals.

The source would be subject to state emission requirements for VOM from storage tanks. However, the source would not become subject to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Organic Liquid Distribution since the source will not be major for HAP. In addition, the source would not trigger the requirements under the federal rules for Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD), 40 CFR 52.21. Finally, the source is considered a major source under Illinois' Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) pursuant to Title V of the Clean Air Act. Accordingly, Plains Marketing, L.P. must obtain a CAAPP permit for the source, and has already submitted its CAAPP permit application.

Based on its review of the application, the Illinois EPA has made a preliminary determination that the plant is entitled to a construction permit. The Illinois EPA is holding a public comment period to accept comments from the public on the proposed issuance of the construction permit for this plant, prior to making a final decision on the application.

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permit, and project summary at www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm (please look under All Permit Records, Major NSR, New). These documents and the application can also be obtained from the Illinois EPA's offices at 2309 W. Main Street, Marion, 618/993-7200 and 1021 North Grand Ave. East, Springfield, 217/782-7027 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you). Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments prior to making a final decision on this project. Comments must be postmarked by midnight Wednesday, July 20, 2011. If sufficient interest is expressed in the permit, a hearing may be held. Requests for information, comments, and questions should be directed to Brad Frost, Division of Air Pollution Control, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, PO. Box 19506, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9506, phone 217/782-2113, TDD phone number 217/782-9143.