

Public Notice
of the Proposed Renewal of the Federally Enforceable State Operating Permit
for Allegiance Healthcare Corporation in McGaw Park

Allegiance Healthcare Corporation has requested that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency renew the federally enforceable state operating permit (FESOP) for air emissions from boilers, heaters and generators at its facility located at 1430 Waukegan Road in McGaw Park. Pursuant to the 1990 amendments to the Clean Air Act, the facility is required to have a federally enforceable permit for its air emissions. The permit will contain federally enforceable limitations that restrict the facility's emissions to non-major levels. The permit will be enforceable by the USEPA, as well as the Illinois EPA. The Illinois EPA is accepting comments on the draft permit.

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, FESOP, Renewal). These documents and the application may also be obtained from the Illinois EPA's offices at 9511 West Harrison in Des Plaines, 847/294-4000 and 1340 North Ninth St., 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.

Comments are requested on the draft permit. Comments must be postmarked by midnight December 21, 2002. 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.