

Public Notice
Proposed Issuance of a State Construction Permit
and Notice of Public Hearing for
Ameren Energy Generating Company

Ameren Energy Generating Company, 1901 Chouteau Avenue, St. Louis, MO has applied to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to construct an electrical generation facility to be located at 1559 Gifford Road in Elgin. The facility would use four simple cycle natural gas fired turbines able to produce up to 540 megawatts of electricity. This facility would not be a major source of air emissions pursuant to the "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" rules (40 CFR 52.21).

The Illinois EPA will hold a public hearing on Thursday, April 12, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at the School District U46 Administration Office Auditorium, 355 East Chicago Street in Elgin. 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, May 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.

Persons wanting more information may review the Illinois EPA's project summary and draft permit at www.epa.gov/region5/air/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 Elgin Public Library, 200 N Grove Ave. in Elgin and at the Illinois EPA's offices at 9511 West Harrison in Des Plaines, 847/294-4000 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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