

Public Notice
Proposed Issuance of a Construction Permit and MACT Approval
to VIOBIN USA, Division of McShares, Inc., Monticello

VIOBIN USA, Division of McShares, Inc., has applied for a permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to expand its oil extraction facility located at 226 Livingston in Monticello. The expansion involves the construction of a continuous flow extractor that will have the ability to extract oil from wheat germ and other oil containing commodities using hexane or another appropriate solvent. The construction requires a permit because of related air emissions. The company will be installing a mineral oil scrubber system for solvent recovery and a dust collector for control of particulate matter.

The project is subject to 40 CFR 63.40-44, Constructed and Reconstructed Major Sources of Hazardous Air Pollutants, because it is a significant emission source of hexane, which is regulated as a hazardous air pollutant (HAP). The company must meet maximum achievable control technology (MACT) for its oil extraction process. The Illinois EPA has determined that good work practices and the use of mineral oil scrubber system for solvent recovery as proposed in the company's application would meet MACT.

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, State Construction Permits, New). These documents and the application can also be obtained from the Illinois EPA's offices at 2125 South First Street in Champaign, 217/278-5800 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.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments prior to making a final decision on this project. Comments must be postmarked by midnight February 9, 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.