

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Public Notice

Proposed Issuance of a Construction Permit to
Illinois River Energy, LLC in Rochelle

Illinois River Energy, LLC has applied for a permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to expand its fuel ethanol manufacturing facility located at 1900 Steward Road in Rochelle. The project would expand the facility by 60 million gallons per year of denatured ethanol to a total production at the facility of 120 million gallons per year and would use natural gas as fuel. The project would not be a major new source of air emissions as defined by the federal Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) rules, 40 CFR 52.21. Based on its review of the application, the Illinois EPA has made a preliminary determination that this project is entitled to a construction permit.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments prior to making a final decision on the application for this project. **Comments must be postmarked by midnight April 5, 2007.** If sufficient interest is expressed in this matter, a hearing may be held. Comments, questions and requests for information, should be directed to Brad Frost, Bureau of Air, Illinois EPA, P. O. Box 19506, Springfield, IL 62794-9506, phone 217/782-2113, TDD 217/782-9143.

Persons wanting more information may view the draft permit and project summary at www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm (please look under Permits (sorted by type), All Permit Records, State Construction Permits, New). These documents and the application may also be viewed at the Illinois EPA's offices at 4302 N. Main, Rockford, 815/987-7750 and 1340 N. 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.