

Public Notice
Proposed Issuance of a State Construction Permit to
Midwest Electric Power Inc., Joppa

Midwest Electric Power Inc., has requested a construction permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to build an electric generation facility to be located at 2100 Portland Road in Joppa. The facility would use five natural gas fired turbines to produce up to 318 megawatts of electricity. The facility would not be a major new source of air emissions pursuant to the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) rules, 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 52.21. The Illinois EPA is accepting comments prior to making a final decision on this project.

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permit and project summary at www.epa.gov/ARD-R5/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 Illinois EPA's offices at 2309 West Main Street in Marion, 618/993-7200 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you) and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, 217/782-7027. Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

Comments are requested on the proposed issuance of the permit. Comments must be postmarked by midnight March 22, 2000. 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.