

Public Notice  
Proposed Issuance of a Clean Air Act Permit Program Permit,  
Revision to the Construction Permit and  
Revision to the Acid Rain Permit for  
NRG Rockford Energy Center in Rockford

NRG Rockford Energy Center has requested a Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) for air emissions from its electric generation facility located at 136 Harrison in Rockford. Major sources of air emissions are required by the 1990 Amendments to the Clean Air Act to obtain Title V permits. The permit will be enforceable by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the public, as well as the Illinois EPA. The beginning of this public comment period also serves as the beginning date of the USEPA 45 day review period, provided the USEPA does not seek a separate proposed period. This permit may contain terms and conditions established pursuant to Title I of the federal Clean Air Act thereby making them combined Title V and Title I permits.

NRG Rockford Energy Center has also requested from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) a revision to the construction permit (application #00100077) for turbine 003 located at 136 Harrison in Rockford. The revision would set a higher limitation for PM/PM<sub>10</sub> emissions that addresses condensable particulates and does not allow a relaxation of the control requirements.

In conjunction with this permit, the Illinois EPA is also proposing to revise the Acid Rain Permit for the proposed plant to include Turbine 003. The Acid Rain permit addresses requirements under the federal Acid Rain program and the state's NOx Trading program. Under the Acid Rain program, NRG Rockford Energy Center's designated representative is Mr. Thomas Campone.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments on the draft permits.

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permit and project summary at [www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm) (please look under All Permit Records, Title V, New). These documents and the application are available at the Illinois EPA's offices at 4302 North Main Street in Rockford, 815/987-7750 and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, 217/782-7027 (for either location, 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 proposed issuance of the permits. Comments must be postmarked by midnight June 12, 2003. If sufficient interest is expressed in a 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.