

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Public Notice
Proposed Issuance of a Construction Permit to
Midwest Agri-Energy, LLC in Salem

Midwest Agri-Energy, LLC, 134 Locust Street, Centralia, Illinois, 61801, has applied for a permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to construct an ethanol manufacturing plant to be located off County Road 800 E, South of State Route 50 in Salem. The project would have a nominal design capacity of 101.18 million gallons per year of denatured ethanol 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 will comply with the applicable environmental regulations and has prepared a draft permit for public review.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments prior to making a final decision on the application for this project. **Comments must be postmarked by midnight August 15, 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 All Permit Records, State Construction Permits, New). These documents and the application may also be viewed at the Illinois EPA's offices at 2009 Mall Street in Collinsville, 618/346-5120 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.