

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Public Notice
of the Proposed Issuance of a Federally Enforceable State Operating Permit
to
IFH Group, Inc. in Rock Falls

IFH Group, Inc. has requested that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency issue a federally enforceable state operating permit (FESOP) regulating the air emissions from its metal fabrication and coating operations located at 3300 East Route 30 in Rock Falls. The Illinois EPA has made a preliminary determination that the application would comply with the environmental regulations and has prepared a draft permit for public review.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments on the draft permit. Comments must be postmarked by midnight February 19, 2012. If sufficient interest is expressed in the permit, a hearing or other informational meeting 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

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permit and project summary at <http://www.epa.gov/reg5oair/permits/ilonline.html>. The repositories for these documents and the application are at the Illinois EPA's offices at 1630 Fifth Avenue, Moline, 309/797-3341 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 1990 amendments to the Clean Air Act require potentially major sources of air emissions to obtain federally enforceable operating permits. A FESOP allows a source that is potentially major to take operational limits in the permit so that it is a non-major source. The permit will contain federally enforceable limitations that restrict the facility's emissions to non-major levels. The permit will be enforceable by the USEPA, as well as the Illinois EPA.