

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

**Notification of a Change of Venue  
For the Public Hearing**

Concerning the Proposed Issuance of a Construction Permit to  
Metropolitan Biosolids Management in Stickney

**The Illinois EPA has changed the venue for the public hearing at 7:00 pm on July 20, 2005, to Alessandro's Banquet, 6040 West Cermak Road in Cicero.**

Metropolitan Biosolids Management has applied for an air pollution control construction permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to construct a sludge drying facility at 6001 West Pershing Road in Stickney. Metropolitan Biosolids must obtain a construction permit from the Illinois EPA's Bureau of Air for the proposed facility because it will be a source of air emissions. The facility would take sludge from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District's wastewater treatment plant in Stickney and dry the sludge for use as a commercial product. Emissions from the facility would be controlled by a variety of devices, including scrubbers, afterburners and fabric filters. As proposed, the emissions of the facility would be below the level at which the facility would be a major project as defined by the federal Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) rules, 40 CFR 52.21 or the state rules Major Stationary Sources Construction and Modification, 35 IAC 203.

**The Illinois EPA will hold a public hearing on July 20, 2005 at 7:00 pm at Alessandro's Banquet, 6040 West Cermak Road in Cicero.** The hearing will be held to receive comments and answer questions from the public prior to making a final decision concerning the draft permit. The hearing will be held under the Illinois EPA's "Procedures for Permit and Closure Plans," 35 IAC 166, Subpart A. Lengthy comments and questions should be submitted in writing. Requests for interpreters (including sign language) must be made by July 6, 2005. Any questions about hearing procedures or requests to address special needs should be made to the Illinois EPA, Charles Matoesian, Hearing Officer, 1021 N. Grand Ave. E., P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, IL 62794-9276, 217/782-5544.

**Written comments must sent to the Hearing Officer and be postmarked by midnight, August 19, 2005,** unless otherwise specified by the Hearing Officer. Written comments need not be notarized.

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, State Construction Permit, New). These documents and the application can also be viewed at the Cicero Public Library, 5229 West Cermak Road in Cicero or at the Illinois EPA's offices at 9511 West Harrison in Des Plaines, 847/294-4000 and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, 217/782-7027 (for either Illinois EPA location please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you).

For information or requests about the application or draft permit, please contact:

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