

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Public Notice
Proposed Significant Modification to the
Clean Air Act Permit Program Permit for
Afton Chemical Corporation in Sauget

Afton Chemical Corporation has applied for a significant modification to the Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) permit for its organic chemical manufacturing facility located at 501 Monsanto Avenue in Sauget. The permit is being modified to allow an increase in a volatile organic material (VOM) limit per batch without changing the annual VOM limit and to clarify conditions of “cold” startup at the facility. A complete description of changes may be found in the project summary.

Based on the Agency’s review of this application, the Illinois EPA has made a preliminary determination that it meets the standards for issuance and has prepared a draft permit modification and project summary for public review.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments on the draft permit modification. Comments must be postmarked by midnight October 1, 2011. If sufficient interest is expressed in the draft permit modification, 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 2009 Mall Street in Collinsville, 618/346-5120 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 CAAPP is Illinois’ operating permit program for major sources of emissions, as required by Title V of the Clean Air Act (Act). The conditions of CAAPP permits are enforceable by the public, as well as by the USEPA and Illinois EPA. In addition to implementing Title V of the Act, CAAPP permits may contain “Title I Conditions,” i.e., conditions established under the permit programs for new and modified emission units, pursuant to Title I of the Act. This permit contains T1 conditions in sections 5.5.2, 5.5.3, 7.1.6, 7.3.6, 7.8.6, 7.9.6, 7.10.6, 7.11.6, 7.12.6, 7.13.6, 7.14.6, 7.15.6, 7.16.5, 7.16.6, 7.17.6, 7.18.6, 7.19.6, 7.22.5, 7.22.6, 7.24.6, 7.25.6 and 7.27.6 that were established in previously issued permits. The permit contains T1 conditions that are being revised by this application in sections 5.5.2, 5.5.3, 7.1.6, 7.9.6, 7.10.6, 7.11.6, 7.16.6, 7.17.6 and 7.24.6. The permit contains T1 conditions that are being newly established by this application in sections 5.5.3, 7.26.6 and 7.28.6.

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.