

Public Notice
Proposed Issuance of an Air Pollution Control Construction Permit
to the Illinois Department of Human Services

The Illinois Department of Human Services has applied to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) for a construction permit to retrofit a boiler used at the Lincoln Development Center for producing steam for heating and cooling. The boiler would be retrofitted from a gas fired boiler to a coal fired boiler. In addition, a baghouse will be installed to collect particulate emissions from both the retrofitted boiler and two other coal fired boilers at the facility.

Lincoln Development Center must manage operation of the two existing boilers and the combustor retrofitted gas boiler, so that the net increase in emissions accompanying the operation of these boilers is not significant compared to previous historical levels. The Lincoln Development Center actually projects a reduction in pollutants. As a result, the project is not considered to be a major modification project pursuant to the "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (40 CFR 52.21) or "Major Stationary Source Construction and Modification" (35 IAC Part 203) rules. The Illinois EPA is accepting comments on the proposed permit.

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permit and project summary at www.epa.gov/ARD-R5/permits/ilonline.htm (please look for the documents under All Permit Records, State Construction Permits, New). These documents along with the application may also be reviewed at the Illinois EPA's offices at 5415 North University in Peoria, 309/693-5461 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you) and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, 217/782-7027. Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

Comments are requested on the proposed issuance of the permit. Comments must be postmarked by midnight February 20, 2000. If sufficient interest is expressed in the 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. The Illinois EPA's toll free number is also available, 1-888/372-1996. If you call the toll free number please leave a message with your name, phone number, the name of the facility, and that you are trying to contact Brad Frost.