

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Notice of Public Comment Period
Proposed Issuance of a Construction Permit
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign has applied to the Illinois EPA Bureau of Air for a construction permit to add three boilers to the Abbott Power Plant located at 1117 South Oak Street in Champaign. The three new boilers would be fired with natural gas as the primary fuel and with oil as a backup fuel. The new boilers would replace three older natural gas/oil fired boilers. The project uses decreases in nitrogen oxide (NO_x) emissions from the shutdown of the three existing boilers in the netting analysis. As such, the project is not major for purposes of the federal rules for Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD), 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 air pollution control regulations and has prepared a draft permit for public review.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments prior to making a final decision on this application. **Comments must be postmarked by midnight December 13, 2014.** If sufficient interest is expressed in this matter, a hearing or other informational meeting 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.

The repositories for these documents and the application are located at the Illinois EPA's offices at 2125 South First Street, Champaign, 217/278-5800 and 1340 N. Ninth St., Springfield, 217/782-7027 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you). The draft permit and project summary may also be viewed at <http://www.epa.gov/reg5oair/permits/ilonline.html> Copies of the documents will be made available upon request to the contact listed above.