

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Public Notice

Proposed Renewal of the Federally Enforceable State Operating Permit
Methodist Medical Center of Illinois in Peoria

Methodist Medical Center of Illinois has applied to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to renew the federally enforceable state operating permit (FESOP) regulating the air emissions from its hospital located at 415 St. Marks Court, 900 Main Street, 112 Crescent Street and 221 Northeast Glen Oak Avenue in Peoria. The Illinois EPA has reviewed the application and made a preliminary determination that the application meets the standards for issuance and has prepared a draft permit for public review and comment.

The Illinois EPA is accepting written comments on the draft permit. Comments must be postmarked by midnight January 10, 2014. If sufficient interest is expressed in the draft 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 217/782-7027, TDD phone number 217/782-9143, brad.frost@illinois.gov.

The repositories for these documents and the application are at the Illinois EPA's offices at 5415 North University Street in Peoria, 309-693-5476 and 1021 North Grand Avenue East, 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 available at <http://www.epa.gov/reg5oair/permits/ilonline.html>. Copies of the documents may also be obtained upon request to the contact listed above.

The facility is located in a potential Environmental Justice area. More information concerning Environmental Justice may be found at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/environmental-justice/>

The 1990 amendments to the Clean Air Act require potentially major sources of air emissions to obtain federally enforceable operating permits. A FESOP permit 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.