

Public Notice  
Proposed Revision of the Clean Air Act Permit Program Permit for  
Argonne National Laboratory/US Department of Energy

Argonne National Laboratory and US Department of Energy (Argonne) currently have a Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) permit regulating air emissions from its research facility located at 9700 South Cass in DuPage County. Argonne has requested a significant modification to the CAAPP permit. The significant modification affects three operations within the facility. Some waste bulking sheds that were not previously allowed to handle radionuclides will now be authorized to handle that material and will be subject to the appropriate National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants; one boiler that can burn coal will be limited in the amount of coal that can be burned; and the transportation research facility will be allowed to use fuels other than gasoline and diesel, e.g. hydrogen, natural gas, and fuel blends. The overall effect of these changes will be to reduce emissions from the facility, generally because of the restriction on coal usage in the boiler.

Major sources of air emissions are required by the 1990 Amendments to the Clean Air Act to obtain Title V permits. The permit will be enforceable by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, as well as the Illinois EPA. 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. This permit may contain terms and conditions established pursuant to Title I of the federal Clean Air Act thereby making them combined Title V and Title I permits. The Illinois EPA is accepting comments on the draft permit.

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, Title V, Significant Modification). These documents and the application are available 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 location please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you). 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 March 11, 2003. If sufficient interest is expressed in a 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.