

Public Notice  
Proposed Issuance of an Air Pollution Control Construction Permit and  
Notice of Public Hearing  
for Ahlstrom Filtration, Inc., Taylorville

Ahlstrom Filtration, Inc., has applied for a construction permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to modify its paper saturator to incorporate the use of solvent-based resin coating onto the current water-based coating operations. The facility located at 1200 East Elm Street in Taylorville manufactures filter paper used in the automotive industry. This facility would not be a major new source of air emissions pursuant to the "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (40 CFR 52.21) rules.

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 10, 2000, at 7:00 p.m. at the University of Illinois Extension Office – Christian County, 1120 North Webster Street in Taylorville. The hearing will be held by the Illinois EPA to receive comments and data and to answer questions from the public prior to making a final decision concerning the permits. Lengthy comments and questions should be submitted to the Illinois EPA in writing. Written comments must be postmarked by midnight May 24, 2000. Comments need not be notarized and should be sent to the address below.

The hearing will be held under the provisions of Subpart A of the Illinois EPA's "Procedures for Permit and Closure Plans" 35 Ill. Adm. Code 166. All questions about the hearing procedure, requests for copies of the hearing rules, or requests for special needs interpreters should be directed to the Hearing Officer, address below. Requests for special needs interpreters must be made to the Hearing Officer by April 30, 2000.

Copies of the draft permit, project summary and application are available at the Taylorville Public Library, 121 W Vine St, Taylorville and the Illinois EPA's offices at 4500 South Sixth Street, Springfield, 217/786-6329 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you) and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, Illinois. Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

For information concerning the hearing, application or draft permit, please contact:

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