

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Public Notice
of the Proposed Renewal of
Federally Enforceable State Operating Permits for
FPM, LLC in Itasca and
ITW – Buildex in Itasca

FPM, LLC has requested that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency renew the federally enforceable state operating permit (FESOP) regulating the air emissions from its metal heat treating facility located at 1349 West Bryn Mawr Avenue in Itasca.

ITW – Buildex has requested that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency renew the federally enforceable state operating permit (FESOP) regulating the air emissions from its fasteners manufacturing plant located at 1349 West Bryn Mawr Avenue in Itasca.

The two facilities are considered a single source of air emissions for determination of their status under the Clean Air Act. The facilities have elected to obtain separate FESOPs. The Illinois EPA has reviewed the applications and made a preliminary determination that the each application meets the standards for issuance and has prepared draft permits for public review and comment.

The Illinois EPA is accepting written comments on the draft permits. Comments must be postmarked by midnight December 13, 2008. If sufficient interest is expressed in a draft 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.

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permits and project summaries at www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm (please look under All Permit Records, FESOP, Renewal). These documents and the applications may also be obtained from the Illinois EPA's offices at 9511 West Harrison in Des Plaines, 847-294-4000 and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, 217/782-7027 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you). Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

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 permits will contain federally enforceable limitations that restrict the facilities' emissions to non-major levels. The permits will be enforceable by the USEPA, as well as the Illinois EPA.