Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

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Public Notice
Proposed Significant Modification of the Clean Air Act Permit Program Permit
Aurora Generation, LLC in Aurora

Aurora Generation, LLC has requested that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) revise the Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) permit regulating air emissions from its electric power generating facility located at 2909 Eola Road in Aurora. This Significant Modification incorporates a revised Construction Permit No. 99110018, as well as incorporates Construction Permit Nos. 14100002 and 14040054, which were issued after the last permit issuance. Those permits adjusted a number of operational limits, mainly during startup, shutdown, and tuning, and increased the hours of operation of the emergency diesel generator. This Significant Modification withdraws the 35 IAC 201.149 exemption from opacity limits during startup, malfunction breakdown, and shutdown. This Significant Modification also revises existing monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements resulting from the source's selection of continuous emission monitors for NOx which were previously installed. This Significant Modification updates the Acid Rain Program Permit, CAIR Permit, and makes other administrative changes. Changes in the permit may be found in Section (I)(c) in the Statement of Basis prepared for this draft permit. Based on its review of the application, the Illinois EPA has made a preliminary determination that the application meets the standards for issuance and has prepared a draft permit for public review.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments on the draft permit. Comments must be postmarked by midnight October 28, 2018. 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 Evan Yates, Office of Community Relations, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, 1021 N. Grand Ave. East, PO. Box 19506, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9506, phone 217/557-6474, TDD phone number 866/273-5488 or at Evan.Yates@illinois.gov.

The repositories for the draft permit documents are at the Illinois EPA's offices at 9511 Harrison Street in Des Plaines, 847/294-4000 and 1021 N. Grand Avenue East in Springfield, 217/782-7027 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you). Copies of the draft permit and project summary may also be available at http://www.epa.illinois.gov/public-notices/boa-notices/index Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

The CAAPP is Illinois' operating permit program for major sources of emissions, as required by Title V of the Clean Air Act (Act). The conditions of CAAPP permits are enforceable by the public, as well as by the USEPA and Illinois EPA. In addition to implementing Title V of the Act, CAAPP permits may contain "Title I Conditions," i.e., conditions established under the permit programs for new and modified emission units, pursuant to Title I of the Act. The permit contains T1 conditions in Section III that were established in previously issued permits. The permit contains no T1 conditions that are being newly established or revised by this application.

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.