Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Public Notice

Planned Revisions to the Clean Air Act Permit Program Permit
City Water Light and Power in Springfield

The Illinois EPA is planning to make revisions to the Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) permit for City Water Light and Power’s electrical generating station located at 3100 Stevenson Drive in Springfield. This coal-fired power plant is owned by the City of Springfield. Revisions to the permit are planned pursuant to a reopening proceeding under Section 39.5(15)(c) of the Environmental Protection Act. These revisions would address additional air pollution control requirements that are applicable to the plant to bring the permit up to date. Concurrent with this reopening, other revisions to the permit are also planned that would qualify as significant modifications to the permit under Section 39.5(14)(c). Revisions would be made to the permit to address Dallman 4, including approval of the Compliance Assurance Monitoring Plans submitted by CWLP for the emissions of certain pollutants from this new coal-fired boiler. Revisions would also be made to certain provisions of the permit to reflect refinements made in the CAAPP permits for other coal-fired power plants in Illinois and to make other refinements now being requested by the source.

Based on its review, the Illinois EPA has made a preliminary determination that these planned revisions to the current permit meet the standards for issuance and has prepared a draft of a revised permit for public review. The Illinois EPA is requesting comments on the planned revisions to the permit, as reflected in the draft of the revised permit and discussed in the accompanying statement of basis that has been prepared. Comments must be postmarked by midnight July 15, 2016. 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 Jillian Hawkins, Office of Community Relations, Illinois EPA, 1021 N. Grand Ave. East, PO. Box 19506, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9506, phone 217/524-0922, TDD phone 217/782-9143.

The repository for documents for these proceedings is at the Illinois EPA’s office at 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 of the revised permit and the accompanying statement of basis may also be available at http://www.epa.gov/caa-permitting/region-5-electronic-permits. Copies of these 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 revised permit would contain T1 conditions from the construction permit issued for the Dallman 4 project and other construction permits that are not yet addressed by the CAAPP permit. Changes to these T1 conditions or to T1 conditions already in the current CAAPP permit are not planned as part of the revision of the CAAPP permit.