

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA)  
Notice of Water Discharge Permit Public Hearing  
NPDES Permit **IL0001970**

**Ameren Energy Resources  
Generating Company  
Ameren-Edwards Power Station**

**Public Hearing  
Wednesday, August 7, 2013  
NPDES Hearing at 6:00 pm.**

**Pekin Public Library  
301 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Pekin, Illinois 61554**

The IEPA Bureau of Water has prepared a draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the Ameren Energy Resources Generating Company, MC 602, P.O. Box 66149, St. Louis, MO 63166.

Illinois EPA is holding this hearing for the purpose of taking comments on the draft permit prior to taking final action on the permit application. Issues relevant to this proceeding include the applicant's compliance with requirements of the federal Clean Water Act and Subtitle C and 35 Illinois Adm. Code. Because Illinois is mandated by state law to issue a permit if the applicant meets the requirements for obtaining a permit, those recommending denial of the permit application should be prepared to state the regulation that is the basis for their recommendation.

The applicant is engaged in generation of electricity by coal-fired steam turbines (SIC 4911). Waste water is generated from ash pond discharge, chemical metal cleaning waste, condenser cooling water, boiler blowdown, intake screen backwash, water treatment wastewater, boiler and turbine room sumps, coal pile runoff, and stormwater. Plant operation results in an average discharge of 5.24 MGD of Ash Pond Discharge from outfall 001, 351 MGD of condenser cooling water from outfall 002, 0.03 MGD of boiler blowdown from outfall B02, 0.05 MGD of intake screen backwash from outfall 003, and an intermittent discharge of stormwater from outfall 004.

The following modification is proposed:

Internal Outfall A02 was removed from the permit. Sewage treatment plant effluent is now directed to the Greater Peoria Sanitary District POTW.

The NPDES permit and the public notice/fact sheet were public noticed on January 16, 2013. Documents for this proceeding can be viewed on the IEPA website: <http://www.epa.state.il.us/public-notices/2013/ameren-edwards/index.pdf>

The draft permit, public notice/fact sheet, the regulations governing the conduct of the hearing and other documents can be reviewed and copied at the Illinois EPA, 1021 N. Grand Avenue East, Springfield, Illinois; 217-782-0610. Please call ahead for an appointment.

Inquiries about the draft permit IL0001970 should be directed to Jamie Cowles, Permit Section, IEPA, 1021 N Grand Ave East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield IL, 62794-9276, 217-782-0610, e-mail [Jamie.Cowles@Illinois.gov](mailto:Jamie.Cowles@Illinois.gov).

The hearing will be held under the provisions of 35 Illinois Administrative Code 166, *Procedures for Permit and Closure Plan Hearings*, which can be obtained online at <http://www.ipcb.state.il.us/documents/dsweb/Get/Document-11865>.

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with provisions of Sections 309.115 through 309.119. These documents can be obtained online at <http://www.ipcb.state.il.us/documents/dsweb/Get/Document-33358>

Requests for special needs interpreters must be made to the IEPA hearing officer by **July 24, 2013**.

The hearing record is a file containing the hearing transcript and written comments. **Written comments must be postmarked or e-mailed by midnight, September 6, 2013, when the hearing record closes** (e-mails with written comments **must be** sent to [epa.publichearingcom@illinois.gov](mailto:epa.publichearingcom@illinois.gov) and should specify Ameren ED Edwards NPDES or IL0001970 in the subject line). Email comments originating on third party systems or servers intended for submittal of multiple emails of the same or nearly the same content will not be accepted without prior approval from the hearing officer. The IEPA welcomes substantive written comments. Comments need not be notarized and should be sent to:

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All other comments not pertaining to this permit can be emailed to the hearing officer at [dean.studer@illinois.gov](mailto:dean.studer@illinois.gov).