

**MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY
PUBLIC NOTICE ON DRAFT
AIR EMISSION FACILITY PERMIT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) proposes to issue Air Emission Permit No. 05300061-002, to Allina Hospitals & Clinics for the Abbott Northwestern Hospital facility (Abbott) located at 800 28th Street East, Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota.

The permit action is for operation of the facility. The permit action is a major amendment; therefore, the draft permit has been placed on public notice. The MPCA is seeking the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) concurrent review of this draft permit and the EPA 45-day review period will run concurrently with the 45-day public review period.

This permit action allows Abbott to change their backup fuel for 4 boilers to No. 2 fuel oil (from No. 6 fuel oil). This permit action also includes the heating equipment and an emergency generator for the lab building.

A summary of the Potential to Emit (PTE) in tons per year is as follows:

Pollutant	PM	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	SO ₂	NO _x	VOCs	CO	CO ₂ e
Draft Permit PTE	6.1	5.6	5.3	0.4	92	4	53	74,200
Actual Emissions (2010)	1.2	1.2	*	1.8	14.5	0.82	10.8	*

PM = Particulate Matter

PM_{2.5} = PM smaller than 2.5 microns

NO_x = Nitrogen Oxides

CO = Carbon Monoxide

*Not Available

The Permittee is not required to submit a pollution prevention progress report pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 115D.08.

The preliminary determination to issue the air emission permit is tentative. There are four formal procedures for public participation in the MPCA's consideration of the permit application. Interested persons may (1) submit written comments on the draft permit; (2) request that the MPCA hold a public information meeting; (3) request the MPCA hold a contested case hearing; and/or (4) submit a petition to the Commissioner requesting that the MPCA Citizens' Board (Board) consider the permit matter.

The decision whether to issue the permit and, if so, under what terms, will be presented to the Board for decision if: (1) the Commissioner grants the petition requesting the matter be presented to the Board; (2) an Board member requests to hear the matter prior to the time the Commissioner makes a final decision on the permit; or (3) a request for a contested case hearing is pending. Otherwise, the Commissioner will make the decision.

Persons who submit comments or petitions to the MPCA must state (1) their interest in the permit application or the draft permit; (2) the action they wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to the section of the draft permit they believe should be changed; and (3) the reasons supporting their position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the MPCA to investigate the merits of the position.

As described in Minn. R. 7000.1800, persons who submit requests for a contested case hearing must also state the issues they propose to address in a contested case hearing, the specific relief requested or resolution of the matter, and the reasons (which may be in the form of proposed findings) supporting an MPCA decision to hold a contested case hearing. Failure to comply with these rules exactly may result in a denial of the request. The decision whether to hold a contested case hearing will be made under Minn. R. 7000.1900. Most public libraries throughout the state have copies of the current Minnesota Rules. They are also available on the Internet at www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us.

The public comment period commences December 7, 2012, and terminates January 22, 2013. Comments must be received in writing at the MPCA by 4:30 p.m. on January 22, 2013. Evidence of timely receipt includes a date/time stamp imprinted on the first page of the written comments by the first floor information and reception area of the MPCA or by the Industrial Division support staff, or receipt by fax.

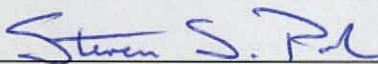
Comments, requests, and petitions should be sent to:

Sarah Sevcik, Air Quality Permits Section
Industrial Division, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
520 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155
651-757-2715 – Voice, 651-296-8717 – Fax

The MPCA will hold a public informational meeting to answer questions about draft Air Emission Permit No. 05300061-002 for Abbott Northwestern Hospital. The meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on January 8, 2013. The meeting will be held at The Center for Changing Lives located at 2400 Park Avenue South, Minneapolis. Free parking is available in the lot on the Oakland Avenue side of the building. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information and answer questions about Abbott Northwestern Hospital's draft air permit.

A copy of the draft permit will be available on the MPCA's website at <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/data/index.cfm?PN=1>, or will also be mailed to any interested person upon the MPCA's receipt of a written request. Additional materials relating to the issuance of this permit are available for inspection by appointment at the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 520 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, phone 651-757-2715, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. All MPCA offices may be reached by calling 1-800-657-3864.

DATED: December 3, 2012


for Don Smith, P.E., Manager
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