

Notice Concerning Proposed Phase II Acid Rain Permit

Notice is hereby given that the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) is proposing to issue a five-year permit to the Hutchison Energy Center (Plant Code: 1248) pursuant to Title IV (Acid Deposition Control) of the Federal Clean Air Act and implementing regulations found in 40 CFR Parts 72 through 78. The effective date of the permit is from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019.

One (1) utility boiler is affected by this permit action, identified as Unit No. 4 in 40 CFR Part 73 Table 2, located at 3200 East 30th Street, Hutchinson, Kansas 67502 and operated by Westar Energy, P.O. Box 889, Topeka, Kansas 66601, would receive 16 sulfur dioxide (SO₂) allowances for each year from 2015 through 2019. Hutchinson Energy Center proposes to comply with the Acid Rain Program emission requirements by holding enough allowances to cover all sulfur dioxide emissions.

Issuance of this permit would not affect the responsibility of Hutchinson Energy Center to meet all other existing local, state, and federal sulfur dioxide emission requirements.

The designated representative for Hutchinson Energy Center is John T. Bridson.

A copy of the proposed permit, permit application, all supporting documentation, and all information relied upon during the permit application review process is available for public review during normal business hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the KDHE, Bureau of Air (BOA), 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 310, Topeka, KS 66612-1366 and at the South Central District Office (SCDO), 300 West Douglas, Suite 700, Wichita, Kansas 67202-2921. To obtain or review the proposed permit and supporting documentation, contact Lynette Bayless, 785-291-3271, at the central office of the KDHE or David Butler, 316-337-6042 / 316-337-6020, at the SCDO. The standard departmental cost will be assessed for any copies requested.

Please direct written comments or questions regarding the proposed permit to Lynette Bayless, KDHE BOA, 1000 SW Jackson, Suite 310, Topeka, KS 66612-1366. In order to be considered in formulating a final permit decision, written comments must be received no later than noon on Monday, December 1, 2014.

A person may request a public hearing be held on the proposed permit. The request for a public hearing shall be in writing and set forth the basis for the request. The written request must be submitted to Lynette Bayless, KDHE, BOA, 1000 SW Jackson, Ste. 310, Topeka, KS 66612-1366, no later than noon on Monday, December 1, 2014, in order for the Secretary of Health and Environment to consider the request.

Robert Moser, MD, Secretary
Kansas Department of Health and Environment