

Prevention of Significant Air Quality Deterioration Review

Final Determination

April 2012

Facility Name: Simpson Lumber Company, LLC Meldrim Operations

City: Meldrim

County: Effingham

AIRS Number: 04-13-103-00004

Application Number: 20735

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BACKGROUND

On October 14, 2011, Simpson Lumber Company, LLC Meldrim Operations (hereafter Simpson Lumber) submitted an application for an air quality permit to modify Lumber Drying Kiln 3 and construct and operate Lumber Drying Kiln 4. The facility is located at 911 Old River Road in Meldrim, Effingham County. The modification of Kiln 3 will convert it from batch to continuous operation. Kiln 4 will be a batch direct-fired lumber kiln.

On February 29, 2012, the Division issued a Preliminary Determination stating that the modifications described in Application No. 20735 should be approved. The Preliminary Determination contained a draft Air Quality Permit for the construction and operation of the modified equipment.

The Division requested that Simpson Lumber place a public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the existing facility notifying the public of the proposed construction and providing the opportunity for written public comment. Such public notice was placed in *The Effingham Herald* (legal organ for Effingham County) on March 16, 2012. The public comment period expired on April 16, 2012.

During the comment period, there were no comments received from U.S. EPA Region IV, the facility, or the general public.

A copy of the final permit is attached.