

NOTICE OF THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
AIR PROTECTION BRANCH

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF MONROE
NOTICE OF DRAFT PART 70 OPERATING PERMIT MODIFICATION

To All Interested Parties:

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division announces its intent to modify Part 70 Air Quality Operating Permit No. 4911-207-0008-V-03-0 issued to Scherer Steam-Electric Generating Plant by the issuance of Permit Amendment No. 4911-207-0008-V-03-8. The facility is located at 10986 Highway 87, Juliette, Georgia. The main purpose of this permit amendment is to replace the low pressure section of the turbine for unit SG02 with a new more efficient low pressure section which will cause no increase to the Potential Total Emissions (PTE). The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has prepared this Title V Operating Permit Amendment in accordance with Title V of the Clean Air Act. This permit amendment will be enforceable by the Georgia EPD, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and other persons as otherwise authorized by law.

The draft permit amendment and all information used to develop the draft permit amendment are available for review. This includes the application and all other relevant materials available to the permitting authority. This information is available for review at the office of the Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Atlanta Tradeport - Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. Copies of the draft permit, narrative, and permit application will be available under Permit Application No. 23388 on our Internet site, <http://epd.georgia.gov/air/draft-title-v-permit>. (Please note that the Internet is generally accessible from most public libraries in Georgia.)

If copies are desired, a copying machine for public use is provided by EPD at the Atlanta Air Protection Branch office. There will be a copying charge of \$0.10 per page. Copies will be made on a first-come, first-served basis. Files are available for review and copying 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday, excluding holidays.

You are hereby notified of the opportunity to submit written public comments concerning the draft Part 70 Operating Permit Modification. Persons wishing to comment on the draft Part 70 Operating Permit Modification are required to submit their comments, in writing, to EPD at the above Atlanta Air Protection Branch address postmarked no later than October 22, 2015. All comments postmarked on or prior to that date will be considered by the Division in making its final decision on the permit. Comments may be submitted via email to epdcomments@dnr.ga.gov using the subject heading "Plant Scherer – App# 23388".

You are also hereby notified that a public meeting and hearing will be held on October 15, 2015 at 6:30pm at the following address:

**State of Georgia Department of Corrections
Roberts Chapel – Tift Campus
300 Patrol Road
Forsyth, GA 31029**

During the public meeting, representatives from EPD will hold a question and answer (Q&A) session to discuss Plant Scherer's application and the draft air quality permit. Immediately following the public meeting, a hearing will be held to receive formal comments. At the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument either orally or in writing.

Following the public comment period, the EPD will consider all comments, make any necessary changes, and issue a proposed permit amendment to U.S. EPA. The proposed permit amendment may then undergo a 45 day review by U.S. EPA in accordance with 40 CFR 70.8. Information pertaining to U.S. EPA's review period can be found on their website at www.epa.gov/region4/air/permits.

After the EPA review period has expired, the EPD will issue a final Part 70 Operating Permit Amendment incorporating any changes required by U.S. EPA. Copies of the final Title V Operating Permit, comments received, EPD's responses to comments, and any other relevant information will then be made available for public review during normal business hours at the office of the Air Protection Branch. A summary of comments and any changes made to the final permit will be found in an addendum to the narrative. A copy of this narrative and the final Title V permit will be added to the information already available at the Internet address given above.

For additional information, contact Eric Cornwell, manager of the Stationary Source Permitting Program, at the Atlanta address, or by phone at 404/363-7000. Please refer to this notice when requesting information.