

## Tell Illinois EPA to protect Lake Michigan from power plant pollution

To make sure your concerns are heard, attend Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Public Hearing on the issuance of a Water Discharge Permit (NPDES) for this station

## Wednesday, July 31, 2013, 6:30pm

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Midwest Generation, L.L.C.'s Waukegan Generation Station, Waukegan, IL.

The IEPA Bureau of Water has prepared a draft NPDES permit for the Waukegan Generation Station, Midwest Generation, L.L.C., 235 Remington Boulevard, Bolingbrook, Illinois 60440. The permit will allow discharge of polluted runoff into Lake Michigan.

Due to requests from citizens and advocacy groups, IEPA will hold a public hearing to accept comments on the permit.

If you are concerned about water pollution from coal fired power or coal ash disposal, this hearing is your chance to convince the IEPA to tighten or deny the permit renewal.



## **Our Concerns**

- Considering that the lake is a drinking water resource for millions and is heavily fished for both recreational and commercial interests, it is imperative that mercury and other heavy metal pollution is monitored and limited.

- IEPA needs to require the Waukegan facility to upgrade their cooling water intake structures to protect fish and aquatic life in Lake Michigan.

- Groundwater contamination issues at the Waukegan Station must be addressed.

## What Can You Do?

Attend the Public Hearing:

This Public Hearing is being held for citizens to express concerns about how this project will affect them, as well as to ask questions and learn more about the project. Speakers need not know the technical aspects of the issue - this is the time to ask questions and to express your concerns to the IEPA.

Participants may make oral comments at the Public Hearing and will be allowed to submit written comments.

Want to do more?

Write a Letter to the Editor about the issuetell your neighors and legislators how you feel. Submit Written Comments

Comments must be postmarked or emailed by midnight, August 30, 2013. Electronic comments must specify Midwest Generation/Waukegan NPDES in the subject line and must be sent to: epa.publichearingcom@illinois.gov

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