

AIR QUALITY PERMIT NOTICE AND PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULED

Notice of Intent to Approve

On April 11, 2022, Empire Green Generation, LLC applied to the WV Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Air Quality (DAQ) for a permit to construct a waste-to-energy facility using a pyrolysis process to process medical waste into fuel. The facility will be located at 801 Koppers Road, Follansbee, Brooke County, WV, at 40.337027 latitude and -80.604538 longitude. A preliminary evaluation has determined that all State and Federal air quality requirements will be met by the proposed facility. The DAQ is providing notice to the public of its preliminary determination to issue the permit as Permit R13-3555.

The following potential emissions will be authorized by this proposed permit: Particulate Matter less than 2.5 microns (PM_{2.5}), 9.5 tons per year (TPY); Particulate Matter less than 10 microns (PM₁₀), 18.5 TPY; Particulate Matter, 31.6 TPY; Sulfur Dioxide, 39.0 TPY; Oxides of Nitrogen (NO₂), 24.0 TPY; Carbon Monoxide, 99.0 TPY; Volatile Organic Compounds, 24.0 TPY; and Total Hazardous Air Pollutants, 2.0 TPY.

A public meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022, beginning at 6:00 pm at the Follansbee Community House located in the Follansbee City Park off WV State Route 2 (Main Street), Follansbee, WV. DAQ staff members will be available beginning at 5:00 pm to answer questions from the public before the start of the public meeting.

The purpose of the DAQ's permitting process is to make a preliminary determination of if the proposed construction will meet all state and federal air quality requirements. The purpose of the public review process is to accept public comments on air quality issues relevant to this determination. Only written comments received at the address noted below within the specified time frame, or comments presented orally at the public meeting, will be considered prior to final action on the permit. All such comments will become part of the public record.

Written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

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Additional information, including copies of the draft permit, application, and all other supporting materials relevant to the permit decision may be obtained by contacting the engineer listed above. The draft permit and engineering evaluation can be downloaded at:

<https://dep.wv.gov/daq/permitting/Pages/NSR-Permit-Applications.aspx>