Notice of Intent to Issue Clean Air Act
Title V Federal Operating Permit
United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 8, Air and Radiation Program

Take notice that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has received an application for an operating permit that regulates air pollution emissions from the following source located within the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation, Uintah County, Utah:

Deseret Power Electric Cooperative
Bonanza Power Plant
12500 East 25500 South
Vernal, UT 84078

The U.S. EPA issues Clean Air Act (CAA) Title V operating permits in Indian country where EPA has not approved a tribe to implement the Title V Operating Permits program. The Bonanza Power Plant is located in Indian country within the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation.

This source is required to obtain a CAA Title V Permit to Operate in accordance with Part 71 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The permit will contain all of the CAA requirements that apply to the source and will require that the source conduct monitoring sufficient to enable the U.S. EPA and the public to determine whether the source is complying with the applicable air quality requirements. These proceedings are subject to the administrative requirements of 40 CFR §71.11.

This draft permit action includes a proposal to address comments received in 2002 from Deseret Power and from the National Park Service (NPS) on the original draft of the Title V permit. The comments from Deseret Power pertained to certain new source performance standards, and the NPS comments pertained to potential applicability of Prevention of Significant Deterioration permitting for a project constructed by Deseret Power in June of 2000, known as the ruggedized rotor project.

Beginning on May 1, 2014, members of the public may review a copy of the draft permit prepared by U.S. EPA, the statement of basis for the draft permit, the application, and all supporting materials submitted by the source, at the Uintah County Clerk's Office in Vernal, Utah, the Ute Indian Tribe's Energy and Minerals Office in Fort Duchesne, Utah, and at the U.S. EPA Region 8 office in Denver, Colorado. All documents will be available for review at the EPA office during Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 p.m. (excluding federal holidays), and electronic copies of the draft permit, statement of basis, the application, and all supporting materials will be available for review at:
http://www2.epa.gov/region8/air-permit-public-comment-opportunities.

The public comment period on this draft permit action will begin on May 1, 2014 and will end on June 16, 2014. All comments should be addressed to Michael B. Owens, Air Program (8P-AR), U.S. EPA, Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129, or submitted electronically following the instructions provided at: http://www2.epa.gov/region8/air-permit-public-comment-opportunities.

A public hearing has been scheduled for June 3, 2014, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Ute Tribal Auditorium, located at 6964 East 1000 South (2 miles South of Bottle Hollow), Fort Duchesne, Utah 84026. All comments received on or before the end of the public comment period, and all comments made during the public hearing, will be considered in arriving at a final decision on the permit. The final permit is a public record that can be obtained upon request. A statement of reasons for changes made to the draft permit and responses to comments received will be sent to all persons who commented on the draft permit.

If you believe any condition of the draft permit is inappropriate, or that our initial decision to prepare a draft permit is inappropriate, you must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably ascertainable arguments supporting your position by the end of the comment period. Any supporting materials that you submit must be included in full and may not be incorporated by reference, unless they are already part of the administrative record for this permit proceeding or consist of state, tribal, or federal statutes and regulations, EPA documents of general availability, or other generally available referenced materials.

If you would like to be added to our mailing list to be informed of future actions on this or other CAA permits issued in Indian country, please send your name and address to Part 71 Permitting Contact, Air Program (8P-AR), U.S. EPA Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129.