Legal Notice
For
Air Quality Operating Permit
for Quay County Generating Plant of Southwestern Public Service Co. dba Xcel Energy

Este es un aviso de la oficina de Calidad del Aire del Departamento del Medio Ambiente de Nuevo México, acerca de las emisiones producidas por un establecimiento en esta área. Si usted desea información en español, por favor comuníquese con esa oficina al teléfono 505-476-5557.

Southwestern Public Service Company, doing business as (dba) Xcel Energy at 790 S Buchanan St, 5th Floor, Amarillo, TX 79101 has submitted an air quality operating permit application to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for an air quality operating permit for its Quay County Generating Plant. The owner of this plant is Southwestern Public Service Co., dba Xcel Energy. The exact location of the facility is 501 W. Campbell Ave., Tucumcari, NM 88401 in Quay County. The latitude and longitude decimal degrees are: 35.184444, -103.731111 Datum: NAD27. This application file has been assigned an Operating Permit Number P265-R1 and TEMPO Agency Interest ID No. 30775.

Previously, the facility received an air quality construction permit and is in operation. The main purpose of the facility is to provide up to 23.5 MW per hour of commercial electric power for the City of Tucumcari, when needed during an emergency or peak electrical usage. This operating permit application is for a permit renewal. There are no changes to the existing air emission limits in this permitting action. The emissions, as established in NSR Permit 4561-R3 and brought forward into this permit are as follows. Emissions are expressed in tons per year (tpy). Nitrogen Oxides (NOx) at 242.1 tpy; Carbon Monoxide (CO) at 19.5 tpy; Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) at 8.3 tpy; Sulfur Dioxide (SO2) at 0.3 tpy; Particulate Matter 10 microns or less (PM10) at 2.0 tpy; Particulate Matter 2.5 microns or less (PM2.5) at 2.0 tpy; and greenhouse gas (CO2) <75,000 tpy.

The NMED has conducted a preliminary review of the information submitted with the permit application. This review included evaluation of the emission rates and applicable requirements to determine compliance.

The NMED has made a preliminary determination that this facility will comply with the requirements of Title 20, New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC), Chapter 2, Parts 1, 7, 61, 70, 71, 72, 73, 77, and 82; 40 CFR 50; 40 CFR 60 Subparts A and III; 40 CFR 63 Subparts A and ZZZZ; 40 CFR 82; and the New Mexico Air Quality Control Act. Therefore, the preliminary intent of NMED is to issue the air quality operating permit on or before September 9, 2021.

Interested persons may obtain the draft operating permit, submit written comments, or request a public hearing on Operating Permit Number P265-R1 by contacting Vanessa Springer at the New Mexico Environment Department, Air Quality Bureau, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816, or by email at Vanessa.Springer@state.nm.us.

Written requests for public hearing must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Comments must be based on the requirements of the applicable state and federal air quality regulations and the Clean Air Act. Comments or hearing requests must be received within 30 days after the public notice is published.

Due to the public health emergency order, certain NMED offices are closed to the public. The permit application is currently available for review on the AQB Public Notices of Permitting Actions website.
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