

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Western Regional Office  
436 Dwight Street-5th floor  
Springfield, MA 01103

P U B L I C N O T I C E

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Environmental Protection, acting in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. chapter 111, Section 142A through 142O, will offer for public comment the following draft Operating Permit (Renewal) issued pursuant to 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C.

The draft Operating Permit (Renewal) for the Holyoke Gas and Electric facility is being issued in accordance with 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6). The purpose of the draft Operating Permit (Renewal) is to codify all of the facility's applicable requirements under the state and federal Clean Air Act, including monitoring, record keeping requirements and emission limitations, into a renewable Operating Permit. This action is required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as stated in its final rule approving the Department's Operating Permit program (Federal Register Vol. 61, No. 95 Wednesday May 15, 1996).

The draft Operating Permit (Renewal) is for:

Holyoke Gas and Electric  
102 Cabot Street  
Holyoke, MA 01040

Application # 1-O-08-009  
Transmittal # W206639

The public comment period will extend until December 10, 2008. Under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30A and 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6)(f), a public hearing may be requested by any person by submitting a written request to the Regional Office, stating the nature of the issues to be raised at a public hearing. Based on the written request, the Department will determine if a public hearing will be held and a 30 day written notice will be given. The duration of the public comment period shall automatically extend to the close of the public hearing as provided for at 310 CMR 7.00: Appendix C(6)(g).

Comments may be presented in writing until 5:00 PM on December 1, 2008. Please submit three copies of any written testimony. Written testimony shall be submitted to:

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Attention: Marc Simpson, Permit Chief

A copy of the draft Operating Permit and the background information will be available for inspection at the Western Regional Office. Please call Todd Wheeler at (413) 755-2297 for further information.

By Order of the Department  
Laurie Burt  
Commissioner