## Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Notice of Comment Period and Public Hearing Concerning the Proposed Revision of Construction Permits for Countryside Landfill, Inc. and Countryside Genco, L.L.C. in Grayslake

Countryside Landfill, Inc. operates a municipal solid waste landfill at 31725 North Route 83 in Grayslake. Countryside Genco, L.L.C. operates a landfill gas-to-energy facility at the Countryside Landfill. Countryside Genco burns landfill gas to generate electricity. Countryside landfill operates a flare that burns landfill gas when the gas-to-energy facility is not in operation or when more gas is generated than the landfill gas-to-energy facility can handle. The companies have applied to the Illinois EPA to revise the construction permits for the landfill gas-to-energy facility and the flare to increase permitted emissions of sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) to address new data on the sulfur content of the landfill gas at this landfill. With the requested revisions, the source still would not be a major source for emissions of SO<sub>2</sub> for purposes of the federal rules for Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD), 40 CFR 52.21 or the state rules Major Stationary Sources Construction and Modification, 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 203.

Based on its review of the applications, the Illinois EPA has made a <u>preliminary</u> determination that the revisions will comply with the applicable environmental regulations and has prepared draft permits for public review. The Illinois EPA is holding a public comment period and a hearing to accept comments from the public on the proposed issuance of the permits prior to making final decisions on the applications.

The Illinois EPA Bureau of Air will hold a public hearing on March 22, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Grayslake Community High School, Auditorium, 400 N. Lake Street in Grayslake.

The hearing will be held to receive comments and answer questions from the public prior to making final decisions concerning the applications. The hearing will be held under the Illinois EPA's "Procedures for Permit and Closure Plans," 35 IAC 166, Subpart A. Lengthy comments and questions should be submitted in writing. Requests for interpreters (including sign language) must be made by March 7, 2011. Any questions about hearing procedures or requests to address special needs should be made to the Illinois EPA, Dean Studer, Hearing Officer, Re: Countryside Landfill, 1021 N. Grand Ave. E., P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, IL 62794-9276, 217/558-8280.

Written comments must be sent to the Hearing Officer and postmarked by midnight, April 21, 2011, unless otherwise specified by the Hearing Officer. Written comments need not be notarized.

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permits and project summary at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/reg5oair/permits/ilonline.html">http://www.epa.gov/reg5oair/permits/ilonline.html</a>. These documents and the applications can also be viewed at the Grayslake Area Public Library, 100 Library Lane in Grayslake and at the Illinois EPA's offices at 9511 West Harrison in Des Plaines, 847/294-

4000 and 1021 N. Grand Ave. E., Springfield, 217/782-7027 (for either Illinois EPA location please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you).

For information or requests about the applications or draft permits, please contact: Brad Frost, Community Relations, Illinois EPA, 1021 N. Grand Ave. E., Box 19506, Springfield, IL 62794-9506, 217/782-7027 or 217/782-9143 TDD.