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PUBLIC NOTICE of UNDERGROUND INJECTION WELL PERMITTING

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby gives notice of intent to issue an Underground Injection Control (UIC) well area permit to the City of Aurora, Illinois. The applicant's mailing address is 44 East Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60507. If issued, the UIC permit will allow the City of Aurora to pump lime sludge from municipal water treatment approximately 250 feet below ground surface into an abandoned limestone mine via four UIC wells located north of the water treatment plant at a 50 acre site on the SE corner of Illinois Rte. 25 and Mettel Road.

Those interested are invited to review the permit application, the draft UIC permit and a related fact sheet at:

Aurora Public Library, West Branch
233 S. Constitution Dr.
Aurora, IL 60506

Send written comments and/or hearing requests on the draft permit to the Agency contact listed below postmarked by midnight, July 6, 2015. Timely comments will become part of the Administrative Record (AR) and be evaluated in making the final permit decision. Written public hearing requests must state opposition to the draft permit and the nature of issue(s) to be raised at a hearing. Public notice will be made 45 days prior to any hearing.

The AR (permit application, draft permit and all permitting data submitted to the Agency) is available for inspection by appointment only at Illinois EPA's Springfield office, contact:

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The Agency will respond to comments on the draft permit decision and indicate whether additional documents have been included in the AR. Commenters will be notified of the final permit decision and the permit decision appeal process.

The Safe Drinking Water Act established the federal UIC program in order to prevent contamination of underground sources of drinking water from injection activities. The Illinois EPA is authorized to administer certain aspects of the UIC program in Illinois, including those governing the wells proposed by the City of Aurora. Illinois' UIC regulations may be found at 35 IAC 702, 704, 705 and 730.