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## **PUBLIC NOTICE UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL PERMIT RENEWAL**

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby gives notice of intent to renew an Underground Injection Control (UIC) permit held by Equistar Chemicals, LP for its Tuscola Plant since 1988. The UIC permit allows the injection of non-hazardous waste, primarily wastewaters from Equistar's industrial processes, into geological formations deep in the earth. The facility's mailing address is 625 E. U.S. Highway 36, Tuscola, Illinois 61953.

Anyone interested is invited to review copies of the permit renewal application, draft permit renewal and related technical fact sheet at the following location:

Tuscola Public Library  
112 East Sale  
Tuscola, Illinois

Send written comments and/or hearing requests on the draft permit to the Agency contact listed below postmarked by midnight, **February 1, 2016**. 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 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 Equistar well. Illinois' UIC regulations may be found at 35 IAC 702, 704, 705 and 730.

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