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PUBLIC NOTICE UNDERGROUND INJECTION WELL PERMIT MODIFICATION

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) hereby gives notice of intent to modify an Underground Injection Control (UIC) well permit held by ArcelorMittal of Hennepin, Illinois to remove the UIC well from the permit. The facility's mailing address is 10726 Steel Drive, Hennepin, IL 61327-9507. The UIC well, previously used to inject the facility's spent pickle liquor deep underground, has been properly closed and plugged. Once the UIC permit is modified to remove reference to the operation, maintenance and monitoring of the UIC well, ArcelorMittal's UIC permit will cover only the remaining waste management units at the facility that require corrective action.

Interested citizens are invited to review the modification application, the draft modified permit and a summary fact sheet at the following location:

Hennepin Public Library, 214 N. 4th St., Hennepin

Send written comments and/or hearing requests on the draft modification to the Agency contact listed below postmarked by midnight February 13, 2015. Timely comments will become part of the Administrative Record and will be evaluated in making the final permit decision. Hearing requests must state opposition to the draft permit and the nature of issue(s) to be raised at the hearing; public notice will be made 45 days prior to any hearing. The Agency will respond to comments on the draft permit decision and indicate whether additional documents have been included in the Administrative Record. Commenters will be notified of the final permit decision and the permit decision appeal process.

The Administrative Record (permit application, draft permit and all related data submitted to the Agency) is available for inspection <u>by appointment only</u> at IEPA's Springfield office, please contact:

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The Safe Drinking Water Act of 1976 established the federal UIC program in order to protect groundwater resources. UIC program requirements were designed to prevent contamination of underground sources of drinking water resulting from wastewater injection. The Illinois EPA is authorized to administer certain aspects of the UIC program in Illinois. For more information, go to U.S.EPA's webpage: http://water.epa.gov/type/groundwater/uic/index.cfm