

## Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

### Notice of Public Meeting Medline Industries Inc. in Waukegan

The Illinois EPA has scheduled a public meeting to inform the public about the planned issuance of a permit to place significant new controls on emissions at Medline Industries, Inc., 1160 South Northpoint Boulevard in Waukegan. The Illinois EPA will present information concerning Medline, its emissions, and planned improvements to reduce emissions of ethylene oxide from the facility and will take questions from the public concerning the Medline draft permit. The meeting is being held on:

May 23, 2019  
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm  
Whittier Elementary School  
Multi-purpose Room  
901 North Lewis Avenue  
Waukegan, IL

If you are in need of an accommodation at the meeting, such as sign language or other interpretation services, please contact the Illinois EPA at the Contact below.

Copies of the draft permit and a factsheet outlining the improvements being made at the facility can be found at the Illinois EPA website

<https://www2.illinois.gov/epa/topics/community-relations/sites/ethylene-oxide/Pages/default.aspx>

For information about the Public Meeting, please contact Brad Frost, Office of Community Relations, Illinois EPA, 1021 N. Grand Ave. E., P.O. Box 19506, Springfield, IL 62794-9506, (phone 217/782-7027 or TDD 866/273-5488) or [brad.frost@illinois.gov](mailto:brad.frost@illinois.gov).

If you have questions about the draft permit prior to the meeting, please submit them to [EPA.Medline@illinois.gov](mailto:EPA.Medline@illinois.gov)

The facility is located in an area of Environmental Justice concern and the Agency is conducting enhanced public outreach activities in accordance with our Illinois [Environmental Justice Public Participation Policy](#). Our [Environmental Justice webpage](#) has additional information on the Illinois EPA's Environmental Justice program.

Medline Industries is a commercial sterilizer located at 1160 Northpoint Boulevard in Waukegan. Medline uses ethylene oxide to sterilize medical devices and surgical equipment. To address ethylene oxide emissions from its facility, Medline has applied for and the Illinois EPA plans to issue a construction permit to the facility. Under the

construction permit, Medline would install several new emission controls, place the building under 100% capture (negative air pressure) and route all emission sources at the facility through pollution control devices. The construction permit will include performance requirements for the capture system and control devices, and limit on emissions from the facility to 150 pounds per year. Additionally, the permit requires state of the art emissions monitoring to be installed. These actions would significantly reduce the emissions and impact from Medline.