

Permits Issued by Illinois EPA's Bureau of Air for FESOP Sources

FACILITY TYPE	PERMITTEES	PERMIT TYPES	DEADLINES ¹	PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED?	PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIRED?	CALENDAR YEAR 2025		
						Applications Received	Permits Issued	How long did it usually take? ²
Synthetic Minor Sources of Air Pollution: Sources that emit or have the potential to emit the threshold level or more as specified in Section 39.5(2) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (i.e., CO, NOx, PM10, SO2 and/or VOM ≥ 100 tons/year, ≥ 50 tons/year of VOM and/or NOx in the serious Chicago and Metro-East St. Louis ozone nonattainment areas, ≥ 10 tons/year of any single Hazardous Air Pollutant (HAP), ≥ 25 tons/year of any combination of HAPs, or Green House Gases (GHG) ≥ 100,000 tons CO2e/year), but can voluntarily accept permit limits below major source levels. The types of facilities vary across many industrial sectors.	The owner or operator of the emission source or air pollution control equipment	Minor Construction permits ³	90 Days ⁴	No	No	178	144	2
		Synthetic Minor Construction permits ⁵	180 Days ⁴	No ⁶	Yes			
		Operating permits ⁷	24 Months ⁸	No ⁶	Yes	10	3	55
		Significant Revisions ⁹	180 Days ⁴	No ⁶	Yes	42	41	1
		Minor Permit Revision ¹⁰	90 Days ⁴	No	No			
		Renewal Operating Permits ¹¹	180 Days ⁴	No ⁶	Yes	86	10	35

1. Number of days, after receipt of the permit application, by which the Agency must be ready to take final action.
2. Average number of days from the date the Agency received all information necessary for the issuance of the permit until the date the Agency issued the permit. This date was determined based on the date the permit analyst completed technical review of the application.
3. Permits allowing the construction of new emission units and/or modification of existing emission units or sources.
4. Timeframe specified in Section 39(a) of the Act.
5. Permits allowing the construction of new emission units and/or modification of existing emission units or sources where federally enforceable emission limitations are necessary to avoid triggering PSD or Nonattainment NSR requirements.
6. Public hearings will be held at the discretion of the Director of Illinois EPA based on the criteria in 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 252 .
7. Applications for the initial FESOP operating permit requested using CAAPP forms.
8. Timeframe specified in Section 39.5(5)(j)(ii) of the Act.
9. A significant FESOP revision is an application requesting a relaxation of the permit's emission limits, testing, monitoring, recordkeeping, and/or reporting.
10. A minor FESOP revision is an application requesting permit revision that does not relax the emission limits, testing, monitoring, recordkeeping and/or reporting.
11. Timely renewal applications that are received prior to the expiration date of the previous FESOP.