

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
ON AN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL PRECONSTRUCTION PERMIT**

Facility: Cooper University Hospital
Program Interest (PI): #50078 / Permit Activity Number: PCP #220001

The New Jersey State Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) is seeking public comment on its intent to approve an Air Pollution Control Preconstruction Permit for Cooper University Hospital pursuant to the provisions of Air Pollution Control Act of Chapter 106, P.L. 1967 (N.J.S.A. 26:2C-1 et. seq.) and state regulation promulgated at N.J.A.C. 7:27-8. These rules require that any significant source of air contaminant emissions must obtain a preconstruction permit prior to construction, reconstruction, installation, or modification.

FACILITY INFORMATION

Cooper University Hospital is a teaching hospital and biomedical research facility located at 1 Cooper Plaza, Camden, NJ 08103, Camden County.

SOURCE OPERATION AND AIR EMISSIONS INFORMATION

This draft preconstruction permit is for an existing natural gas-fired turbine (48.70 MMBtu/hr-HHV) with natural gas-fired duct burner (21.30 MMBtu/hr-HHV) to replace the facility's existing general permit as the general permit for combined heat and power (CHP) was discontinued and the facility was required to apply for a standard Pre-Construction Permit (PCP). This CHP unit generates electricity for the facility and produces steam for heating via an associated heat recovery steam generator. There are no proposed changes to air contaminant allowable emission rates from the existing general permit to the draft preconstruction permit.

Health Risk Assessment was conducted as part of the review of this permit application and health risk was determined to be negligible consistent with NJDEP Technical Manual 1003.

For more information about the facility's processes and their air emissions, please refer to the draft preconstruction permit available on the following website, <https://dep.nj.gov/boss/public-notices/>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

This public notice and the draft preconstruction permit have been posted at the Air Quality Permitting website: <https://dep.nj.gov/boss/public-notices/>. Any person who cannot obtain a copy of the permit documents and any supporting materials from the website above can call 609-292-6722 for further assistance.

All persons, including the applicant, who believe that any condition of the draft preconstruction permit or the Department's tentative decision to approve this permit is inappropriate, must raise all reasonable issues of concern and submit all arguments and factual grounds or materials supporting their position during the public comment period. Any comments on this draft permit must be received within thirty days of the date of this notice by either (1) email addressed to Sunila Agrawal at Sunila.Agrawal@dep.nj.gov or (2) by mail addressed to Sunila Agrawal, NJDEP, 401 E State Street, 2nd Floor, PO Box 420, Mail Code 401-02, Trenton, 08625-0420.

Any person may request that the Department hold a public hearing on the draft permit. A request for a public hearing shall be submitted, in writing, within thirty days of the date of this notice to the Department at the Trenton address listed above. The request for public hearing shall include a statement of issues to be discussed at the public hearing. The statement of issues shall be relevant to the proposed source operation and air emissions information stated above.

The Department will consider and respond to all written and timely submitted comments. The applicant, and each person, who submitted written comments, will receive a notice of the Department's final decision regarding the preconstruction permit and a copy of the Response to Comment document.