## Going Online for Air Permits to Save Companies Time and Money

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Coming Soon -- an <u>online option</u> to complete air quality construction and operating (Title V) permit applications, called Iowa EASY Air (Environmental Application System). The Iowa Department of Natural Resources plans to roll out the new system starting in December.

Developed with input from industry representatives, EASY Air will provide a convenient way to submit air quality permit applications, saving time and money for companies that need a permit or permit modification.

Some industry representatives say using the online system could save significant time on each application. How will using EASY Air speed up the permitting process?

- Data entered in SLEIS, the emissions inventory system, will pre-populate EASY Air.
- Data from construction permits and operating permits will be available, reducing redundant data entry.
- Multiple users can access the permit application, reducing internal handoffs and timeconsuming waits to collect required signatures.
- Data validation will ensure industries submit accurate, complete applications.
- Accurate data and applications will reduce back-and-forth emails and phone calls with DNR.
- Online payment options and delivery assure applications and fees are received when you send them.

While the option to submit on paper still exists, EASY Air users will find the online permitting process is faster.

Once the system is live, contact <u>easyair@dnr.iowa.gov</u> for help with software. Or call Kevin Connolly at 515-725-9569 or Jason Dowie at 515-725-9523.

To receive updated information, sign up for the <u>Air Quality Technical newsletter</u>. Not sure you need a permit? Check for <u>air permit requirements</u> or call 877-AIR-lowa for construction permit help.