

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is proposing to renew the Title V Operating Permit for Valero Renewable Fuels Company, LLC dba Valero Charles City Plant. This facility is located at 1787 Quarry Rd, Charles City, IA 50616. DNR is currently reviewing an application for renewal submitted by Valero Renewable Fuels Company, LLC dba Valero Charles City Plant to operate their existing fuel-grade ethanol production facility.

Valero Renewable Fuels Company, LLC dba Valero Charles City Plant is required to obtain a Title V Operating Permit pursuant to 567 Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) 24.101. This facility has the potential to emit the following air pollutants annually:

PM-2.5 (particulate matter 2.5 microns or less in diameter): 139.26 tons

PM-10 (particulate matter ten microns or less in diameter): 143.30 tons

Particulate Matter: 167.28 tons

Sulfur Dioxide: 99.30 tons

Nitrogen Oxides: 107.80 tons

Volatile Organic Compounds: 232.05 tons

Carbon Monoxide: 119.85 tons

Lead: 0 tons

Hazardous Air Pollutants: 24.47 tons

Based on the information provided in the Title V Operating Permit renewal application, the DNR has made an initial determination that the facility meets all the applicable criteria for the issuance of an operating permit specified in 567 IAC 24.107.

A copy of the Public Notice is available for public inspection at the:

Charles City Public Library
910 Clark Street
Charles City, IA 50616
Phone: 641-257-6319

These documents are also available on the Air Quality Bureau's website at:

www.iowadnr.gov/titlev-draft

For additional information or for a copy of the draft permit or fact sheet contact:

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A complete record of the permit review, including the renewal application and the draft permit, is available for public inspection Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., at the DNR address shown above.

The public comment period for the draft permit will run from July 31, 2025 through August 30, 2025. During the public comment period, anyone may submit written comments on the permit. Mail signed comments to Jason Dowie at the DNR address shown above. The beginning date of this public comment period also serves as the beginning of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) 45-day review period, provided the EPA does not seek a separate review period.

Written requests for a public hearing concerning the permit may also be submitted during the comment period. Any hearing request must state the person's interest in the subject matter, and the nature of the issues proposed to be raised at the hearing. DNR will hold a public hearing upon finding, on the basis of requests, a significant degree of relevant public interest in a draft permit. Mail hearing requests to Jason Dowie at the DNR address shown above.

DNR will keep a record of the issues raised during the public participation process, and will prepare written responses to all comments received. The comments and responses will be compiled into a responsiveness summary document. After the close of the public comment period, DNR will make a final decision on the renewal application. The responsiveness summary and the final permit will be available to the public upon request.

Individuals with disabilities or limited English proficiency are encouraged to participate in all DNR activities, including submitting public comments. If a reasonable accommodation or language services are needed to participate, contact the Air Quality Bureau staff member listed or Relay Iowa TTY Service at 800-735-7942 in advance to advise them of your specific needs. DNR's language access and disability nondiscrimination plans are available at <https://www.iowadnr.gov/about/nondiscrimination-accessibility-language-access>.