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Kansas Court will Hear Power Plant Case

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) - The legal fight over an air quality permit for a coal-fired power plant to be built in southwestern Kansas is going before the state Supreme Court.

The court was scheduled to hear arguments Friday over the permit for Sunflower Electric Power Corp.'s plant near Holcomb.

The Sierra Club and other environmental groups contend the permitting process was flawed. They argue the Kansas Department of Health and Environment took shortcuts for political reasons.

Attorneys for Hays-based Sunflower and the state will argue the permit process relied on the best available scientific data, assuming the plant would use modern technology to reduce emissions.

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