

Board Proposes “Identical-in-Substance” Amendments to RCRA Hazardous Waste Rules

On May 21, 2020, for public comment, the Board proposed amendments to its hazardous waste rules. The proposed amendments are “identical in substance” to federal rule amendments made by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) during 2019 under Subtitle C of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The USEPA actions considered were the February 22, 2019 Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals Rule and the December 9, 2019 Universal Waste Aerosol Cans Rule. The Board also included proposed corrections to its RCRA Subtitle C hazardous waste rules and RCRA Subtitle D municipal solid waste landfill (MSWLF) rules, many at the request of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

The Board will continue accepting public comments on the proposed rule amendments for 45 days after their publication in the *Illinois Register*. The Board’s rulemaking is captioned RCRA Subtitle C Update, USEPA Amendments (January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019) and RCRA Subtitle D Corrections and RCRA Subtitle C Update, USEPA Amendments (July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019), dockets R20-8 and R20-16 (consol.) (May 21, 2020). Here are links to (1) the Board’s [opinion and order](#), which includes the proposed rule amendments, and (2) the Board’s [addendum](#), which provides tables of information concerning the rulemaking. For more information, please contact Michael McCambridge at 312-814-6924 or michael.mccambridge@illinois.gov.