ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD January 18, 2001

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)	
Complainant,)	
v.)	PCB 00-209 (Enforcement - Air)
CRO-MAT COMPANY, an Illinois)	(Emoreement 7111)
corporation,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by N.J. Melas):

On May 30, 2000, the People of the State of Illinois (People) filed a three-count complaint against respondent CRO-MAT Company (CRO-MAT). The complaint alleges CRO-MAT failed to comply with National Emission Standards for chromium emissions by the regulatory deadline, constructed an emission source without a permit, and operated an emissions source without a permit at its facility located at 3771 West Morse, Lincolnwood, Cook County, Illinois. These activities were in alleged violation of Sections 9(b) and 9.1(d)(1) of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/9(b), 9.1(d)(1) (1998)), the Board's air regulations at 35 Ill. Adm. Code 201.142 and 201.143, and the hard chromium National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants at 40 C.F.R § 63.342(a) and 63.343(b)(1).

On January 4, 2001, the parties filed a stipulation and proposal for settlement, accompanied by a motion requesting relief from the hearing requirement of Section 31(c)(1) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (1998)). In the proposed stipulation CRO-MAT admits the allegations contained in the complaint and proposes to pay a \$3,000 penalty.

Pursuant to Section 31(c)(2) of the Act, the complainant may file with the Board a stipulation and proposal for settlement accompanied by a request for relief from the hearing requirement. (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (1998)). Unless the Board determines that a hearing is needed, the Board is required to publish notice of the stipulation and proposal for settlement and request for relief from the hearing requirement.

Accordingly, the Board directs the Clerk of the Board to cause publication of the required newspaper notice. Any person may file a written demand for hearing within 21 days of the published notice. If a hearing is requested, the Board will deny the parties' request for relief and schedule a hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above order was adopted on the 18th day of January 2001 by a vote of 7-0.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk

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