

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
November 8, 2017

IN THE MATTER OF:)
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AMENDMENTS TO 35 ILL. ADM. CODE) R18-20
225.233, MULTI-POLLUTANT) (Rulemaking - Air)
STANDARDS (MPS))

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATES, TIMES, AND PLACES:

January 17, 2018 to be continued if necessary to January 18, 2018

10:00 a.m.
Peoria Public Library Main Library
Auditorium
107 NE Monroe Street
Peoria, IL 61602

March 6, 2018 to be continued if necessary to March 7, 2018

10:00 a.m.
Madison County Government Center
County Board Room
157 North Main Street
Edwardsville, IL 62025

PURPOSE OF HEARINGS: Merit and Economic

ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS: Katie Papadimitriu

HEARING OFFICER: Marie E. Tipsord

HEARING OFFICER ORDER

On October 19, 2017, a prehearing conference was held to establish dates, times, and locations for hearings in this proceeding. After discussion, the participants accepted the locations of Peoria and Edwardsville for the two hearings. Participants also agreed on potential dates for hearings, which include January 17 and 18, 2017, and two days in the first full week of March in 2018. In addition, representatives of various groups asked the Board to consider an evening hearing. However, after discussion, the representatives were willing to accept that the hearing would carry over into the evening if it was possible to secure a building that would allow

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and other applicable federal and State laws, the hearing will be accessible to individuals with disabilities. Persons requiring auxiliary aids and services should contact Don Brown, Clerk of the Board, at 100 West Randolph St., Suite 11-500, Chicago, Illinois 60601, at telephone number 312/814-6931, fax number 312/814-3669, or TDD number 312/814-6032, five days prior to the hearing.

the Board to continue later in the evening. The Board secured a building that will allow us to remain until 6 p.m. but we must be out of the building by 6 p.m. Therefore, the Board will extend the hearing on January 17, 2018, until 5:45 p.m. and absolutely no later.

Procedures for Peoria Hearing

Participants agreed to deadlines for prefiling of testimony and questions for the first hearing in Peoria. The deadline to prefile testimony with the Board is December 11, 2017, by 4:30 p.m. (the time the Clerk's office stops accepting filings date stamped that day). Prefiled questions based on the prefiled testimony must be filed with the Board, by January 2, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. If participants wish to prefile answers, those answers should be prefiled by January 12, 2017.

The procedure for the hearing will be for the Board to hear all prefiled testimony before accepting public comment on the record. However, if the prefiled testimony is not completed by 4:30 p.m. on January 17, 2018, the Board will take public comment on the record from 4:30 p.m. to 5:40 p.m. and resume with prefiled testimony on January 18, 2017. A sign-up sheet will be available in the hearing room throughout the day for persons to sign up to provide public comment. If all prefiled testimony is completed before 4:30 p.m., and no one is present at that time who wishes to make a public comment, the Board will recess the hearing until 4:30 p.m. The Board will return to allow for comments between 4:30 p.m. and 5:40 p.m.

The hearing will begin with testimony from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). After IEPA, the order for testifying will be established by the hearing officer, after consultation with those who have prefiled testimony, on January 17, 2018.

Procedures for Edwardsville Hearing

Prefiling deadlines for the Edwardsville hearing will be established at the close of the Peoria hearings.

Section 27(b) Requirements

These hearings will also fulfill the statutory obligations under Section 27(b) of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/27(b) (2016)). Section 27(b) of the Act requires the Board to request the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to conduct an economic impact study on certain proposed rules prior to adoption of those rules. If DCEO chooses to conduct the economic impact study, DCEO has 30 to 45 days after such request to produce a study of the economic impact of the proposed rules. The Board must then make the economic impact study, or DCEO's explanation for not conducting the study, available to the public at least 20 days before a public hearing on the economic impact of the proposed rules. The Board sent DCEO the request on October 19, 2017.

Federal SIP Revision Requirements

IEPA intends to submit any rules adopted by the Board in this rulemaking to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) for review and approval as a revision to the Illinois Regional Haze State Implementation Plan (SIP) to address the visibility protection requirements for federal Class I under the federal Clean Air Act. *See* 42 U.S.C. § 7491. The revisions submitted to USEPA will include not only amendments to current regulatory provisions proposed by IEPA but also newly created provisions, along with an analysis demonstrating that the amended rules do not interfere with attainment or maintenance of any applicable National Ambient Air Quality Standard, reasonable further progress, or any other applicable requirement of the federal Clean Air Act.

Revisions to Illinois' Regional Haze SIP will be discussed at the first hearing, scheduled for January 17 and continuing, if necessary, to January 18, 2018. This notice will fulfill the federal requirements for public notice of SIP revisions. 42 U.S.C. § 7410; 40 C.F.R. 51.102(d).

Written Public Comment

Written public comment may be filed with the Board at any time until the conclusion of the comment period. That date will be announced by hearing officer order after the close of hearings. If you have any questions regarding written public comment you may contact the hearing officer or the Clerk of the Board.

Availability of Filings

All filings in this proceeding will be available on the Board's web page at www.ipcb.state.il.us and participants may file electronically on the Board's web page. The prefiled testimony and prefiled questions must be served on the persons on the service list.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



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