

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
January 19, 2023

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)
)
Complainant,)
)
v.) PCB 23-34
) (Enforcement - Air)
PPC FLEXIBLE PACKAGING, LLC, a)
Delaware limited liability company,)
)
Respondent.)

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by M. Gibson):

On September 6, 2022, the Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois (People), filed a one-count complaint against PPC Flexible Packaging, LLC (PPC). The complaint concerns PPC's flexographic printing facility located at 1111 Busch Parkway in Buffalo Grove, Lake County. The parties now seek to settle without a hearing. For the reasons below, the Board directs the Clerk to provide public notice of the parties' stipulation, proposed settlement, and request for relief from the hearing requirement.

Under the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5 (2020)), the Attorney General and the State's Attorneys may bring actions before the Board to enforce Illinois' environmental requirements on behalf of the People. *See* 415 ILCS 5/31 (2020); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103. In this case, the People allege that PPC violated Section 9(a) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/9(a) (2020)) and Section 201.302(a) of the Board Air Pollution Regulations (35 Ill. Adm. Code 201.302(a)) by failing to submit a complete and accurate Annual Emissions Report (AER) for the calendar year 2020 to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency).

On January 6, 2023, the People and PPC filed a stipulation and proposed settlement, accompanied by a request for relief from the hearing requirement of Section 31(c)(1) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (2020)). This filing is authorized by Section 31(c)(2) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2020)), which requires that the public have an opportunity to request a hearing whenever the State and a respondent propose settling an enforcement action without a public hearing. *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(a). Under the proposed stipulation, PPC neither admits nor denies the alleged violation and agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$6,650.

Unless the Board determines that a hearing is needed, the Board must cause notice of the stipulation, proposed settlement, and request for relief from the hearing requirement. Any person may file a written demand for hearing within 21 days after receiving the notice. If anyone timely files a written demand for hearing, the Board will deny the parties' request for relief and hold a hearing. *See* 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2020); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(b), (c). The Board directs the Clerk to provide the required notice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Don A. Brown, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on January 19, 2023, by a vote of 4-0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Don A. Brown".

Don A. Brown, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board