

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF: )  
 )  
DEFINITION OF VOM, USEPA ) R24-8  
AMENDMENTS ) (Identical-in-Substance  
(January 1, 2023 through ) Rulemaking-Air  
June 30, 2023) )

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

had at the meeting of the above-entitled cause at 160  
North LaSalle Street, Room N-505, Chicago, Illinois taken  
before Deanna L. Tufano, CSR, License No. 084.003819 on  
Thursday, December 7, 2023, at the hour of 11:30 a.m.

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1 A P P E A R A N C E S:

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Hearing Officer: Vanessa Horton

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In attendance in Chicago:

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Board Chair, Barbara Flynn Currie

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Board Member Michael Mankowski

Board Member Michelle Gibson

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In attendance in Springfield, via video:

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Charles Matoesian, Illinois Environmental Protection  
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1 HEARING OFFICER HORTON: Okay. The time is now 11:30  
2 a.m. My name is Vanessa Horton. I am the Hearing  
3 Officer for this Rulemaking. With me is Chair of the  
4 Board, Barbara Flynn Currie; Board member, Michelle  
5 Gibson; and Board Member, Michael Mankowski. And in  
6 Springfield, we have Illinois EPA Attorney, Charles  
7 Matoesian.

8 MR. MATOESIAN: Yes.

9 HEARING OFFICER HORTON: Is there anyone else there  
10 you know?

11 MR. MATOESIAN: There's no one here, no.

12 HEARING OFFICER HORTON: Thanks. This Rulemaking is  
13 captioned R24-08 Definition of Volatile Organic Material,  
14 USEPA Amendments, January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

15 This hearing is being held to satisfy the  
16 public hearing requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act.  
17 This is an identical and substance rulemaking under  
18 Sections 7.2 and 9.1E of the Illinois Environmental  
19 Protection Act. During the update period of this docket,  
20 USEPA added a single exclusion from the Federal  
21 definition of Volatile Organic Compound. The Board today  
22 proposes amendments to Illinois definition that are  
23 identical in substance to the USEPA action.

24 On October 19, 2023, the Board issued the

1 proposed rule change and the proposal for public comment.  
2 Notice of this hearing was published in 11 newspapers in  
3 different geographical locations throughout the state;  
4 the Chicago Sun-Times, the Belleville News-Democrat, the  
5 Rockford Register Star, the State Journal Register, the  
6 Centralia and Mt Vernon Morning Sentinels, the Metropolis  
7 Planet, the Peoria Journal Star, the Rock Island Argus,  
8 the News Gazette, the Galena Gazette, the News Tribune,  
9 and also in the Illinois Register. All of these noticed  
10 publications occurred before November 2, 2023.

11 The publication began a period of 45 days  
12 of public comment which will end December 18th. The  
13 Board plans on adopting these proposed changes at its  
14 January 4th board meeting with the possible filing and  
15 effective date of January 8th and a possible Illinois  
16 Register publication date of January 19, 2023.

17 Does anyone here in Chicago or in  
18 Springfield have a comment on the proposed change?

19 MR. MATOESIAN: No.

20 HEARING OFFICER HORTON: Hearing none, we'll adjourn  
21 this hearing at 11:32 a.m. Thank you very much.

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