ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD November 21, 2024

IN THE MATTER OF:)	
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PROPOSED CLEAN CAR AND TRUCK)	R 24-17
STANDARDS: PROPOSED 35 ILL. ADM.)	(Rulemaking – Air)
CODE 242)	· - ·

HEARING OFFICER ORDER

On November 21, 2024, Rule Proponents filed two motions with regard to the upcoming hearing in this matter, scheduled for December 2, and 3, 2024. First, Proponents request that one of their witnesses, Juiliana Pino, be able to testify remotely at the start of the hearing on December 2nd. (Remote Mot.)

Proponents report that Ms. Pino, "has a family member who is immunocompromised and she thus seeks to avoid any potential health risks by appearing in person." *Id.* at 1. The Board's rules allow the hearing officer to consider such requests by evaluating "cost-effectiveness, efficiency, facility accommodations, witness availability, public interest, the parties' preferences, and the proceeding's complexity and contentiousness." 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.600(b). The Proponents raised this issue orally at the November 13, 2024, prehearing conference and no other participant voiced opposition to the request. Ms. Pino's testimony is not expected to be complex or lengthy as only one participant directed pre-filed questions to her. Ms. Pino answered the questions in her pre-filed written answers on November 18, 2024. Proponents suggest that "her cross-examination will be limited in duration and scope and may only involve a single party." In evaluating the factors of 101.600(b), the hearing officer finds the factors favor allowing Ms. Pino to testify remotely at the start of the hearing on December 2, 2024. The motion is granted.

Second, Proponents request Spanish-language interpretation for the duration of the hearings on December 2, and 3, 2024. Proponents made the motion orally at the prehearing conference on November 13, 2024. No other participant voiced an objection to the request. The motion is granted. The Board will have an in-person Spanish-language interpreter at the Chicago hearing location for the duration of the two-day hearing.

Any additional filing or docket questions can be addressed to our Clerk, Don Brown: Don.Brown@illinois.gov (312) 814-3620.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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