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Dear DON BROWN

Your rules Listed below met our codification standards and have been published in Volume 49, Issue 43 of the Illinois Register, dated 10/24/2025.

PROPOSED RULES

Primary Drinking Water Standards
35 Ill. Adm. Code 611

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1) Heading of the Part: Primary Drinking Water Standards

2) Code Citation: 35 Ill. Adm. Code 611

<u>Section Numbers:</u>	<u>Proposed Actions:</u>
611.101	Amendment
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- 4) Statutory Authority: Implementing Sections 7.2, 17 and 17.5 and authorized by Section 27 of the Environmental Protection Act [415 ILCS 5/7.2, 17, 17.5 and 27].
- 5) A Complete Description of the Subjects and Issues Involved: The following briefly describes the subjects and issues involved in the docket R25-1/R25-9 rulemaking which amends Part 611. A comprehensive description is contained in the Board's opinion and order of October 2, 2025, proposing amendments in docket R25-1/R25-9, which opinion and order is available from the address below.

The Board today proposes amendments to the Illinois rules “identical in substance” (IIS) to the drinking water regulations adopted by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). In 2024, USEPA filed six actions under The National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs) expediting approval of 93 alternative testing methods (ATMs) for analyzing contaminants in drinking water, adding new regulations for six per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), and updating the comprehensive Lead and Copper Rules. The Board now incorporates and amends 35 Ill. Adm. Code 611 to comply with USEPA NPDWRs.

Sections 7.2 and 17.5 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/7.2 and 17.5 (2024)) provide for quick adoption by the Board of regulations that are IIS to regulations that USEPA adopts to implement Sections 1412(b), 1414(c), 1417(a), and 1445(a) of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) (42 U.S.C. §§ 300g-1(a), 300g-3(c), 300g-6(a), and 300j-4(a) (2021)). The National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs) implement these sections of SDWA. SDWA regulations are found at 40 C.F.R. 141 through 143.

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For quick reference, the 2024 USEPA actions considered in this consolidated rulemaking are listed in chronological order with a short substantive description and the Boards actions.

January 30, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 5773): USEPA approved 93 ATMs to measure contaminants in drinking water to determine compliance with NPDWRs. The Board incorporated the new methods that address primary MCLs into Illinois rules. ATMs adopted by the USEPA for secondary MCLs (aesthetic qualities of drinking water) are not incorporated in today's proposal.

February 5, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 7624): USEPA corrected errors in seven of the ninety-three ATMs published on January 30, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 5773). The Board added the corrections into the Illinois rules.

April 26, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 32743): USEPA approved NPDWRs and health-based Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs) and Goals (MCLGs) for five PFAS, including perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS), perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS), perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA), hexafluoropropylene oxide dimer acid (HFPO-DA, commonly known as GenX Chemicals), and perfluorobutane sulfonic acid (PFBS). USEPA set MCLGs for PFOA and PFOS at zero and MCLs at 4.0 nanograms per liter(ng/L). For PFHxS, PFNA, and HFPO-DA USEPA set MCLGs and MCLs at 10 ng/L. Additionally, USEPA added the Hazard Index (HI) of 1 for any mixture with two or more PFHXS, PFNA, HFPO-DA(GenX) and PFBS. Additionally, USEPA added PFAS to the public notification (PN) and consumer confidence report rules (CCR). The Board incorporated PFAS testing methods and added USEPA's extensive PFAS regulations into the Illinois rules without substantive deviation from the federal amendments.

May 24, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 45980). USEPA revised the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Rule to comply with America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) of 2018 (United States, 2018), which requires states, territories, and Tribes with primary enforcement responsibility to report compliance monitoring data (CMD) to the USEPA. The revisions improve the CCR reporting and communication processes including electronic reporting options, enhanced risk communications and mandated biannual outreach to customers of suppliers serving 10,000 or more persons. The Board added USEPA's CCR revisions into the Illinois rules without any substantive deviation from the federal amendments.

June 11, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 49101): USEPA corrected formatting and entry designation errors published April 26, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 32743) in the NPDWRs for five individual

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per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS): perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS), perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS), perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA), hexafluoropropylene-oxide dimer acid (HFPO-DA, commonly known as GenX Chemicals). The Board added USEPA PFAS corrections into the Illinois rules without substantive deviation from the federal corrections.

October 30, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 45980): USEPA revised the NPDWR for lead and copper to replace lead and specific galvanized service lines. The final rule eliminates the lead trigger level, lowers the lead action level, and strengthens tap sampling procedures to improve public health. The Board added USEPA's Lead and Copper Rule Improvements (LCRIs) into the Illinois rules without substantive deviation from the federal amendments.

- 6) Published studies or reports, and sources of underlying data, used to compose this rulemaking: None
- 7) Will this proposed rulemaking replace an emergency rule currently in effect? No
- 8) Does this rulemaking contain an automatic repeal date? No
- 9) Does this proposed rulemaking contain incorporations by reference? Yes
- 10) Are there any proposed rulemakings to this Part pending? No
- 11) Statement of Statewide Policy Objectives: This proposed amendment does not create or enlarge a state mandate as defined in Section 3(b) of the State Mandates Act. [30 ILCS 805/3].
- 12) Time, Place, and Manner in which interested persons may comment on this proposed rulemaking: The Board will accept written public comments on this proposal for a period of at least 45 days after the date of publication in the Illinois Register. Public comments should refer to Docket R25-1/R25-9 and be filed electronically through the Clerk's Office On-Line (COOL) on the Board's website at pcb.illinois.gov. Public comments may be addressed to:

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Interested persons may download copies of the Board's opinions and orders in R25-1/R25-9 from the Board's Web site at pcb.illinois.gov and may also request copies by calling the Clerk's office at 312-814-3620.

- 13) Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis:
 - A) Types of small businesses, small municipalities and not for profit corporations affected: None
 - B) Reporting, bookkeeping or other procedures required for compliance: The proposed amendments in this rulemaking will not themselves require recordkeeping or reporting procedures for compliance.
 - C) Types of Professional skills necessary for compliance: None
- 14) Small Business Impact Analysis: The Board does not expect that the proposed rules will impact small business.
- 15) Regulatory Agenda on which this rulemaking was summarized: January 2025

The full text of the Proposed Amendments begins on the next page: