ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD November 20, 2025

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)
)
Complainant,)
-)
v.) PCB 24-67
) (Enforcement – Air, Land, RCRA)
TITAN INDUSTRIES, INC., an Illinois	
corporation, d/b/a MACKINAW VALLEY)
POWDER COATING; and MR REAL)
PROPERTIES, LLC, and Illinois limited	
liability company,)
)
Respondents.	

OPINION AND ORDER OF THE BOARD (by A. Tin)

On April 18, 2024, the Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois (People), filed a six-count complaint against Titan Industries, Inc. d/b/a Mackinaw Valley Powder Coating (Titan/MVPC) and MR Real Properties, LLC (MRP) (collectively Respondents). The complaint concerns the powder coating facility operated by Titan/MVPC on property owned by MRP, which is located at 300 North Main Street, Mackinaw, Tazewell County. 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 (2024)), 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 (2024); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103. In this case, the People allege that Titan/MVPC and MRP violated Sections 21(a), (d)(1), (f)(1)-(2), and (p)(1) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/21(a), (d)(1), (f) (1)-(2), and (p)(1) (2024), and Sections 703.121, 722.111, and 808.121(a) of the Board's regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 703.121, 722.111, and 808.121(a), by conducting sandblasting operations in an open-sided outdoor grain bin at the facility, causing fugitive dust and sandblasting media to be discharged onto the ground, and by allegedly conducting waste-disposal and hazardous waste-storage operations without the required Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) or Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permits. The People further allege that Titan/MVPC failed to determine whether certain waste was hazardous or special waste. As a result, Respondents allegedly caused or allowed open dumping, litter, disposal at a non-permitted site, and emissions of contaminants into the air.

On November 12, 2025, the People and Titan/MVPC and MRP 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) (2024)). This filing is authorized by Section 31(c)(2) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2024)), 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, Titan/MVPC and MRP do not affirmatively admit the alleged violations and agree to pay a joint and several civil penalty of \$25,000.

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) (2024); 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 November 20, 2025, by a vote of 5-0.

Don A. Brown, Clerk

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