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Illinois Pollution Control Board

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 19, 2026

11:00 a.m.

Videoconference

555 W. Monroe St.
Chicago, IL
Illinois Room-Ground Floor

AND

2520 West Iles Avenue
Springfield, IL
Conf. Room 1.508

ROLL CALL

The Clerk of the Board called the roll. All five Board Members answered present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

PUBLIC REMARKS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Board's February 5, 2026 regular open meeting were approved by a roll call vote of 5-0.

RULEMAKINGS

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ADJUSTED STANDARDS

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ADMINISTRATIVE CITATIONS

<p><u>AC 26-3</u></p>	<p><u>Illinois Environmental Protection Agency v. Randy W. Johnson</u> (Land) – After finding that Johnson’s amended petition failed to cure the deficiencies identified by the Board’s December 4, 2025 order, the Board further found that Johnson violated Section 21(p)(1), (p)(3), and (p)(7) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/21(p)(1), (p)(3), (p)(7) (2024)), as alleged in this administrative citation. Because there were three violations, the Board ordered Johnson to pay a total civil penalty of \$4,500, reflecting the statutory penalty of \$1,500 per violation.</p>	<p>5-0 roll call vote</p>
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TIME-LIMITED WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

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ADJUDICATORY CASES

<p><u>PCB 25-2</u></p>	<p><u>Waste Management of Illinois, Inc. v. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency</u> (Land – Permit Appeal) – No action taken.</p>	<p>Held</p>
<p><u>PCB 26-31</u></p>	<p><u>Modern Plating Corporation v. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency</u> (Land, RCRA – Permit Appeal) – The Board accepted for hearing this permit appeal involving Modern Plating’s Corrective Action Management Unit (CAMU) in Stephenson County. The Board also granted Modern Plating’s motion to stay the effectiveness of the contested permit conditions until the Board takes final action or orders otherwise.</p>	<p>5-0 roll call vote</p>
<p><u>PCB 26-33</u></p>	<p><u>People of the State of Illinois v. Paragon Pork, Inc. and Kintzle Construction, Inc.</u> (Water, NPDES – Enforcement) – This enforcement action concerns Paragon Pork’s farrow-to-wean swine operation in Ogle County, and Kintzle Construction’s land application of resulting livestock waste onto Paragon Pork’s neighboring fields. The Board received a stipulation and proposed settlement between the People and Kintzle Construction, accompanied by a motion for relief from the hearing requirement. Paragon Pork is not a party to the stipulation and proposed settlement. In this order, the Board directed the Clerk to provide the required newspaper notice of the settlement-related filings.</p>	<p>5-0 roll call vote</p>

<u>PCB 26-43</u>	<p><u>Mike Endress v. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Water – Tax Certification)</u> – The Board issued an order notifying Endress that if he wishes to contest IEPA’s recommendation of tax certification denial for specified facilities, he must file a petition to contest within 35 days after IEPA served him with the amended recommendation.</p> <p>[Note: Due to a clerical error, this was the wrong order for the Board to adopt on February 19, 2026. Therefore, on its own motion, the Board rescinded this order at its March 5, 2026 meeting.]</p>	5-0 roll call vote
<u>PCB 26-46</u>	<p><u>People of the State of Illinois v. A. Block Marketing, Inc. (Water, NPDES – Enforcement)</u> – Upon receiving a complaint, stipulation, proposed settlement, and motion for relief from the hearing requirement in this enforcement action concerning ABM’s Cook County industrial operation, which produces and processes bulk hardwood mulch products, the Board accepted the complaint and directed the Clerk to provide the required newspaper notice of the settlement-related filings.</p>	5-0 roll call vote
<u>PCB 26-47</u>	<p><u>Martin & Bayley, Inc. v. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (UST Appeal)</u> – The Board accepted for hearing this leaking underground storage tank (UST) appeal involving a White County gas station.</p>	5-0 roll call vote

OTHER ITEMS

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ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded, by a roll call vote of 5-0, the Chair adjourned the meeting.

I, Don Anthony Brown, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board approved the above minutes on March 19, 2026, by vote of 5-0.



Don Anthony Brown, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board