

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
May 3, 2001

PLEXUS SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION,)
)
Petitioner,)
)
v.) PCB 01-120
) (Variance - Air)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)
PROTECTION AGENCY,)
)
Respondent.)

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by M. McFawn):

On March 5, 2001, Plexus Scientific Corporation (Plexus) filed a petition for variance from the prohibition against open burning found at 35 Ill. Adm. Code 237.102. Plexus' petition requests the variance to allow the open burning/"flashing" of buildings and process equipment located at the load/assemble/package area of the former Joliet Army Ammunition Plant (JOAAP) site in Will County, Illinois. The "[o]pen burning of wastes creating a hazard of explosion, fire or other serious harm" may only be permitted through the granting of a variance. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 237.103. Plexus' requested a hearing in its petition.

On April 5, 2001, the Board issued an order directing Plexus to file an amended petition to address deficiencies in two areas. The Board stated that if Plexus' amended petition and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's recommendation were timely filed pursuant to the April 5, 2001 order, hearing could commence on May 2, 2001, in advance of the Board's formal acceptance of this matter for hearing.

On April 23, 2001, Plexus filed an amended petition¹ containing additional information that addressed the areas of deficiency identified by the Board in its April 5, 2001 order. On April 27, 2001, the Agency filed its recommendation in support of granting Plexus' petition.

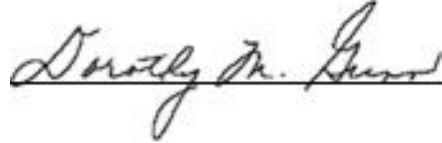
The Board hereby accepts this matter for hearing. Consistent with the April 5, 2001 order, the Board will endeavor to reach an expedited decision in this matter by late June or early July.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Board Member S.T. Lawton, Jr. abstained.

¹ Plexus captioned its April 23, 2001 amended petition as "supplemental information."

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above order was adopted on the 3rd day of May 2001 by a vote of 6-0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dorothy M. Gunn", written over a horizontal line.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board