ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD January 20, 1994

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION ELECTRO-MOTIVE DIVISION,)	
Petitioner,)	
v.)	PCB 91-160 (Variance)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,))	(,
Respondent.	}	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by C.A. Manning):

On September 5, 1991, General Motors Corporation Electro-Motive Division ("GM") filed a petition for an air variance for its facility located in LaGrange, Illinois. Pursuant to a December 16, 1993 Pollution Control Board order, GM and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency filed a joint status report on January 14, 1994. The parties indicate that the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("USEPA") is promulgating a rule applicable to GM's locomotive coating operations, and that USEPA had not yet responded to GM's comments on the proposed rule.

Both parties believe a hearing would be rendered unnecessary due to the USEPA's reconsideration of the federal rules applicable to GM and the Agency's position that it would not mandate compliance with 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 218 until that process is complete. Counsel for GM represents that the rules are currently before the Office of Management and Budget for review.

The parties are hereby directed to file an additional status report with the Clerk of the Board on or before April 14, 1994. As was requested in the December 16th order, the parties should indicate the status of the USEPA action on the locomotive coating operations rule, GM's request to the Agency to reconsider the rules applicable to the silicone rubber priming and electrical insulating varnish operation, whether a hearing will be necessary and any projected timeline for completion of these matters. A copy of the status report should also be served on the assigned hearing officer in this case.

Finally, the joint status report also requests that the parties' obligation to file a statement of disputed issues up to the date of the January 14th status report be continued. The parties may file such a statement with the assigned hearing officer when serving him with a copy of the April status report.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

	certify that the	of the Illinois Pollution Control above order was adopted on the, 1994, by a vote of
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		Illinois Pollution Control Board