ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD April 22, 1993

IN THE MATTER OF:)		
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PETITION OF DOUGLAS	j	AS 93-3	
FURNITURE OF CALIFORNIA FOR)	(Adjusted	Standard)
AND ADJUSTED STANDARD FROM)		
35 ILL. ADM. CODE 218.204	j		

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by J. Anderson):

On March 17, 1993, Douglas Furniture of California (Douglas) filed a petition for adjusted standard pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 106. Subpart G seeking relief from the 3.0 lb/gal volatile organic material (VOM) emission limitation of 35 Ill. Adm. Code 218.204(g). Specifically, Douglas requests that the Board grant it an alternative VOM emissions limitation of 6 lb/gal of paint used in its touch-up operation.

This petition generally meets the information requirements of Section 28.1 of the Environmental Protection Act and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 106. Although Douglas has waived hearing in this matter, the Board notes that the adjusted standard involves a change to the Illinois' State Implementation Plan (SIP). Accordingly, the Board instructs the Clerk of the Board to schedule this matter for hearing. In addition, in order to facilitate the Board's prompt determination of the merits of the petition, Douglas is directed to address the following issues and questions before or at hearing:

- 1. Douglas Furniture notes that even though it has no in-house research or reformulation capabilities of its own, it continuously explores with its current and future coating suppliers the use of low VOM coatings and/or water-based systems with its existing line. (Pet. at 7.) However, it has not provided any documentation regarding its efforts to find a compliant paint. Since Douglas Furniture contends that the proposed adjusted standard is RACT for its touch-up operations (Pet. at 14), the Board requests Douglas Furniture to provide documentation to support its assertions regarding the non-availability of compliant paints.
- 2. Because the Board wishes to consider whether the proposed adjusted standard should require Douglas Furniture to continue its efforts to find a suitable compliant paint, the Board requests comments on the inclusion of additional language in the proposed adjusted standard that would provide a mechanism and

timetable for contacting paint vendors, paint testing, notification of the Agency and the Board of the test results, and the expiration of the adjusted standard if a compliant paint is found. (see e.g. <u>In the Matter of:</u> Petition of DMI, Inc. for Site-Specific Air Regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 215.215 (February 6, 1992), R91-9 at 5-6.)

IT IS SO ORDERED.

B. Forcade abstained.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control
Board, hereby certify that the above order was adopted on the

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Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk

Illinois Pollution Control Board