

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
November 21, 1991

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
PETITION OF MARATHON OIL) R91-23
COMPANY FOR SITE-SPECIFIC) (Site-Specific Rulemaking)
WATER REGULATION: 35 ILL.)
ADM. CODE 303.323)

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by M. Nardulli):

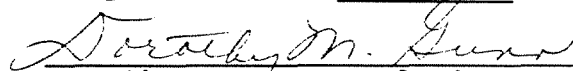
On August 19, 1991, Marathon Oil Company (Marathon) filed a petition for amendment to the existing site-specific regulation applicable to its petroleum refinery located near Robinson, Illinois in Crawford County. On October 3, 1991, Marathon filed its response to the Board's order noting certain deficiencies in the petition and, on October 10, 1991, the Board accepted the petition for hearing.

By the instant petition, Marathon seeks to increase chlorine limitations discharged into an unnamed tributary of Sugar Creek. On October 31, 1991, the Department of Energy and Natural Resources filed its comment on the appropriateness of an Economic Impact Study (EcIS). ENR believes that a formal EcIS is not necessary because a substantial record regarding technical feasibility and economic reasonableness was generated in the previous site-specific rulemaking proposed by Marathon which it now seeks to amend. (See, R87-2.) According to ENR, "[a]ny petition-specific gaps in that information can be filled in during the merit hearings" Marathon also filed a comment asking that the Board enter an order finding that no EcIS is necessary because "Marathon itself is the only person that will have an economic interest in this relief"

The Board agrees with ENR and Marathon that no EcIS should be prepared in this proceeding. The Board will, of course, consider the economic impact of this proposal. (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1989, ch. 111 1/2, par. 1027(a).)

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above Order was adopted on the 21st day of November, 1991 by a vote of 6-0.


Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board