ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD August 18, 1988

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IN THE MATTER OF:

CITY OF FREEPORT,

AC 88-70 (IEPA Docket No. 9090-AC)

Respondent.

ORDER OF THE BOARD:

This matter comes before the Board upon a July 14, 1988 filing of an Administrative Citation pursuant to Section 31.1 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (Act) by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency). A copy of that Administrative Citation is attached hereto. Service of the Administrative Citation was made upon the City of Freeport on July 11, 1988. The Agency alleges that the City of Freeport has violated Section 21(p)(5) of the Act. The statutory penalty established for this violation is \$500.00 pursuant to Section 42(b)(4) of the Act.

The City of Freeport has not filed a Petition for Review with the Clerk of the Board within 35 days of the date of service as allowed by Section 31.1(d)(2) of the Act. Therefore, pursuant to Section 31.1(d)(1), the Board finds that the City of Freeport has violated the provision alleged in the Administrative Citation. Since there is one (1) such violation, the total penalty to be imposed is set at \$500.00.

It is hereby ordered that, unless the penalty has already been paid, within 30 days of the date of this Order the City of Freeport shall, by certified check or money order payable to the State of Illinois and designated for deposit into the Environmental Protection Trust Fund, pay a penalty in the amount of \$500.00 which is to be sent to:

> Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Fiscal Services Division 2200 Churchill Road Springfield, IL 62706

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 13^{12} day of August, 1988, by a vote of 6-0.

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Illinois Pollution Control Board



IN THE MATTER OF:

CITY OF FREEPORT, a municipal corporation of the State of Illinois,

Respondent.

JURISDICTION

This Administrative Citation is issued pursuant to the authority vested in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency by Public Act 84-1320 (III. Rev. Stat. 1986, Supp., ch. 111¹₂, par. 1031.1).

FACTS

1. That Respondent, City of Freeport, is the present operator of a facility located in the County of Stephenson, State of Illinois.

2. That said facility is operated as a sanitary landfill, operating under Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Operating Permit No. 1986-10-0P, and designated with Site Code No. 1770200015. Said facility is commonly known to the Agency as Freeport/Muni #4.

3. That Respondent has operated said facility at all times pertinent hereto.

4. That on May 27, 1988, Jack Holzer, of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, inspected the above-described landfill facility. A copy of the inspection report setting forth the results of such inspection is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

VIOLATIONS

On the basis of direct observation of Jack Holzer, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has determined that Respondent was conducting a sanitary landfill operation at the above-described facility, which is required to have a permit pursuant to Ill. Rev. Stat. 1985, ch. lll¹₂, par. 1021(d), in a manner which resulted in the following conditions:

A. On May 27, 1988, said landfill had uncovered refuse remaining from a previous operating day, in violation of Ill. Rev. Stat. 1985,
ch. 111¹₂, par. 1021(p)(5).

CIVIL PENALTY

Pursuant to Public Act 84-1320 (III. Rev. Stat. 1986 Supp., ch. 111¹/₂, par. 1042(b)(4)), Respondent herein is subject to a civil penalty of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each violation specified above in Paragraph A, for a total of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars. Additionally, should you elect to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board under the review process described hereinbelow, and if there is a finding of the violation alleged herein, after an adjudicatory hearing, your shall be assessed the associated hearing costs incurred by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the Illinois Pollution Control Board, in addition to the Five Hundred Dollar (\$500.00) statutory penalty for each finding of violation.

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If you acknowledge the violations cited hereinabove, the civil penalty specified above shall be due and payable no later than August 16, 1988. If you do not petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board for review of this Administrative Citation within thirty-five (35) days of service hereof or if you elect to contest this Administrative Citation, any judgment rendered against you shall specify the due date of the statutory civil penalty and any costs assessed against you.

When payment is made, your check should be made payable to the Illinois Environmental Protection Trust fund and mailed to the attention of Fiscal Services, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, 2200 Churchill Road, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276. Also, please complete and return the enclosed Remittance Form, along with your payment, to assure proper documentation of payment.

If any civil penalty, by reason of ackncwledgment, default or finding after adjudicatory hearing, is not paid when due; the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency shall take into consideration such failure to pay during any permit review process upor your application for a new permit or for renewal of an existing permit. Furthermore, if payment is not received when due, the Offices of the Illinois Attorney General shall be requested to initiate proceedings in Circuit Court to collect said civil penalty. In addition to the previously assessed civil penalty, and hearing costs of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the Illinois Pollution Control Board, if any; the Attorney General's Office will seek to recover their costs of litigation.

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PROCEDURE FOR CONTESTING THIS ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

You have the right to contest this Administrative Citation. <u>See</u> Public Act 84-1320 (III. Rev. Stat. 1986 Supp., ch. 111¹₂, par. 1031.1). If you elect to contest this Administrative Citation, you must file a Petition for Review with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board. A copy of the Petition for Review should be filed with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Such Petition for Review <u>must</u> be filed within thirty-five (35) days of the date of service of this Administrative Citation, or a default judgment shall be entered by the Pollution Control Board. The Petition for Review may be filed with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board at the State of Illinois Center, 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500, Chicago, Illinois 60601; and, a copy of said Petition for Review filed with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency at 2200 Churchill Road, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276, Attention: Enforcement Services.

Bernard P. Killian, Acting Director Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Date: July 8, 1988