

The Board accepts the stipulation and proposal for settlement filed by the parties in this matter. Champion must continue to comply with any federal, State, or local regulations including, but not limited to, the Act and the Board's regulations.

This opinion constitutes the Board's findings of fact and conclusions of law in this matter.

ORDER

1. The Board hereby accepts the stipulation and settlement agreement executed by the People and Champion. The stipulation and settlement agreement is incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
2. Champion must pay the sum of \$25,000. Payments shall begin within 30 days of the date of this order, that is, on or before December 2, 2000. Such payment must be made by certified check or money order payable to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, designated to the Environmental Protection Trust Fund. The case number, case name, and the Champion's federal employer identification number must also be included on the certified check or money order and must clearly indicate that payment is directed to the Environmental Protection Trust Fund.
3. The check or money order must be sent by first class mail to:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Fiscal Services Division
1021 North Grand Avenue East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62702

A copy of the payment transmittal and check shall be simultaneously submitted to:

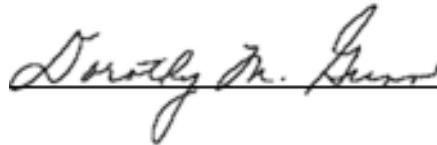
Kelly Cartwright
Assistant Attorney General
Environmental Bureau
Illinois Attorney General's Office
188 W. Randolph St., 20th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60601
4. Any such penalty not paid within the time prescribed shall incur interest at the rate set forth in subsection (a) of Section 1003 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, (35 ILCS 5/1003 (1998)), as now or hereafter amended, from the date payment is due until the date payment is received. Interest shall not accrue during the pendency of an appeal during which payment of the penalty has been stayed.

5. Respondent shall cease and desist future alleged violations of any federal, State, or local statutes and regulations.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Section 41 of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/41 (1998)) provides for the appeal of final Board orders to the Illinois Appellate Court within 35 days of the date of service of this order. Illinois Supreme Court Rule 335 establishes such filing requirements. See 172 Ill. 2d R. 335; see also 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.246, Motions for Reconsideration.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above opinion and order was adopted on the 2nd day of November 2000 by a vote of 7-0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dorothy M. Gunn". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board