

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

September 19, 2002

IN THE MATTER OF:)
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NOISE RULE UPDATE:) R03 - 08
AMENDMENTS TO 35 ILL. ADM.) (Rulemaking - Noise)
CODE 900 AND 903)

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by M.E. Tristano):

Pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 102 Subpart B and Sections 27 and 28 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, 415 ILCS 5/27-5/28 (2000), the Illinois Pollution Control Board opens this docket to amend and update the Board's noise rules.

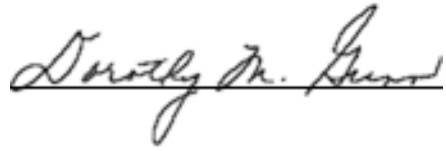
The noise rules affected are set forth at 35 Ill. Adm. Code 900 and 903. These are general provisions dealing with the definitions of acoustical terminology, prohibition against noise pollution, and sound measurement procedures. The proposed changes involve the updating of definitions and sound measurement procedures. The basis for these changes is the American National Standards Institute updates from the years 1998-2001. These definitions and measurement procedures were adopted in 1973 and have not been amended or changed since then.

The Board also intends to repeal Part 903, which specifies rules and regulations for the control of noise from motor racing facilities. Since the adoption of these rules, Section 25 of the Environmental Protection Act has been modified to exclude organized sporting events, including motor racing facilities from the Board's noise regulations.

The Board is preparing a proposal, which will be ready for hearing soon. The Board intends to hold two hearings on the proposal, one in Chicago and one in Springfield. Interested persons are encouraged to contact the hearing officer to be added to notice list in this docket.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on September 19, 2002, by a vote of 7-0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dorothy M. Gunn", written over a horizontal line.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board