

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
January 13, 1983

AMOCO CHEMICALS CORPORATION, )  
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 Petitioner, )  
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 v. ) PCB 83-7  
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 ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL )  
 PROTECTION AGENCY, )  
 )  
 Respondent. )

OPINION AND ORDER OF THE BOARD (by J.D. Dumelle):

This provisional variance request comes before the Board upon a January 13, 1983 Recommendation of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency). The Agency recommends that a 45-day provisional variance be granted to Amoco Chemicals Corporation (Amoco) to allow it to discharge the river water and wastewater now mixed in its eight flooded lagoons in an amount equal to the amount of flood water which entered the lagoons.

The Agency has concluded that compliance on a short-term basis with the total suspended solids limitation of Section 304.120(b) would impose an arbitrary or unreasonable hardship.

Based upon the Agency's conclusion and pursuant to Section 35(b) of the Act, the Board hereby grants the provisional variance subject to conditions as recommended.

ORDER

The Board hereby grants Amoco Chemicals Corporation a variance from the Section 304.120(b) limitation for suspended solids for a period of 45 days to begin within 10 days of the date of this Order subject to the following conditions:

1. Amoco shall inform Robert Broms, Manager, Compliance Assurance Section, Division of Water Pollution Control (217/782-9720) of the following:

- a. the day discharge begins;
- b. the day discharge ceases;

2. Amoco shall sample the discharge twice per week for the parameters listed in its NPDES permit and weekly for aluminum and submit the results within 10 days after the end of each calendar week of discharging to Robert Broms, Manager, Compliance Assurance Section;

3. Amoco shall cease discharging if any of the results of the above tests exceed permitted levels for any parameter other than suspended solids;
4. No sludge shall be discharged;
5. Amoco shall discharge as much water to the wastewater treatment plant as is possible but not less than 700,000 gpd;
6. Amoco shall develop and implement a plan to avoid the necessity of flooding its lagoons with a subsequent discharge in excess of permitted levels;
7. Amoco shall execute a certificate of acceptance and agreement to be bound by the terms and conditions of this provisional variance within 20 days of the date of this Order. The certificate shall be addressed to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Water Pollution Control, Compliance Assurance Section, 2200 Churchill Road, Springfield, Illinois 62706 and shall be in the following form:

CERTIFICATION

I, (We) \_\_\_\_\_, having read the Order of the Illinois Pollution Control Board in PCB 83-7 dated January 13, 1983, understand and accept said Order, realizing that such acceptance renders all terms and conditions thereto binding and enforceable.

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Petitioner


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By: Authorized Agent

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Title

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Date

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Christan L. Moffett, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above Opinion and Order was adopted on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1983 by a vote of 5-0

  
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Christan L. Moffett, Clerk  
Illinois Pollution Control Board