ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD April 3, 2003

DEAN SCHNEIDEWIND,)	
Petitioner,)	
v.)	PCB 03-93
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,)))	(UST Appeal)
Respondent.)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by T.E. Johnson):

On January 9, 2003, the Board, at the parties' request, extended until March 27, 2003, the time period within which Dean Schneidewind (Schneidewind) may appeal a November 22, 2002 determination of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency). *See* 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.208(a). On March 27, 2003, Schneidewind filed a petition asking the Board to review the Agency's determination. The Agency approved Schneidewind's corrective action costs with modifications regarding his leaking underground petroleum storage facility located at 425 North Main Street, in Marissa, St. Clair County. Schneidewind appeals on the grounds that the Agency adjustment was without technical justification and was arbitrary and capricious. Schneidewind's petition meets the content requirements of 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.210. The Board accepts the petition for hearing.

Schneidewind has the burden of proof. 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1) (2000); *see also* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.112(a). Hearings will be based exclusively on the record before the Agency at the time the decision was issued. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.412. Hearings will be scheduled and completed in a timely manner, consistent with the decision deadline (*see* 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(2) (2002)), which only Schneidewind may extend by waiver. See 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.308. If the Board fails to take final action by the decision deadline, Schneidewind "may deem the permit issued." 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(2) (2002). Currently, the decision deadline is July 25, 2003 (the 120th day after March 27, 2003). See 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.114. The Board meeting immediately before the decision deadline is scheduled for July 24, 2003.

Unless the Board or the hearing officer orders otherwise, the Agency must file the entire record of its determination by April 26, 2003, which is the first business day following the 30th day after Schneidewind filed the petition. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.410(a). If the Agency wishes to seek additional time to file the record, it must file a request for extension before the date on which the record is due to be filed. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.116. The record must comply with the content requirements of 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.410(b).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on April 3, 2003, by a vote of 7-0.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk

Illinois Pollution Control Board