ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD December 4, 2003

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)	
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Complainant,)	
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v.)	PCB 04-84
)	(Enforcement - Water)
PARAMOUNT DEVELOPERS, INC., an)	
Illinois corporation,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by J.P. Novak):

On November 24, 2003, the Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois (People), filed a complaint against Paramount Developers, Inc. (Paramount Developers). See 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.204. The People allege that Paramount Developers violated Section 12(a), (d) and (f) of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/12(a), (d) and (f) (2002)) and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 306.102(a) and 309.146(a)(1) and (a)(2). The People further allege that Paramount Developers violated these provisions by (1) causing, threatening, or allowing erosion of loose dirt, and silt into storm sewers that discharge into a pond and wetland area and the DuPage River; (2) causing or allowing the deposition of contaminants on the land so as to create a water pollution hazard; (3) failing to monitor its site, failing to improve and install adequate storm water controls, and failing to submit required incident of noncompliance reports in compliance with general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit for storm water discharges from construction activities; and (4) failing to construct and operate erosion control measures so as to minimize violations of applicable standards during contingencies like flooding or adverse weather. The complaint concerns Paramount Developers' residential home development in Section 15, Township 38 North, Range 10 East in Lisle, DuPage County.

The Board accepts the complaint for hearing. *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.212(c). A respondent's failure to file an answer to a complaint within 60 days after receiving the complaint may have severe consequences. Generally, if Paramount Developers fails within that timeframe to file an answer specifically denying, or asserting insufficient knowledge to form a belief of, a material allegation in the complaint, the Board will consider Paramount Developers to have admitted the allegation. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.204(d). The Board directs the hearing officer to proceed expeditiously to hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on December 4, 2003, by a vote of 5-0.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk

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