

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
February 19, 2004

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, )  
)  
Complainant, )  
)  
v. ) PCB 03-73  
) (Enforcement - Land)  
RIVERDALE RECYCLING, INC., an Illinois )  
corporation, and TRI-STATE DISPOSAL, )  
INC., an Illinois corporation, )  
)  
Respondents. )

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

On November 19, 2002, the Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois (People), filed a complaint against Riverdale Recycling, Inc. and Tri-State Disposal, Inc. (respondents). *See* 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.204. The People allege that the respondents violated Section 21(a) and (d) of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/21(a) and (d) (2002)). The People further allege that the respondents violated these provisions by open dumping of waste and waste storage without a permit. The complaint concerns the respondents' waste transfer and recycling facility at 13901 South Ashland, Riverdale, Cook County.

On December 22, 2003, the People and the respondents filed a stipulation and proposed settlement, accompanied by a request for relief from the hearing requirement of Section 31(c)(1) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (2002)). This filing is authorized by Section 31(c)(2) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2002)). *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(a). The Board provided notice of the stipulation, proposed settlement, and request for relief from hearing. The Board published newspaper notice in the *Daily Southtown* on January 15, 2004. The Board did not receive any requests for hearing. The Board grants the parties' request for relief from the hearing requirement. *See* 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(b).

Section 103.302 of the Board's procedural rules sets forth the required contents of stipulations and proposed settlements. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.302. These requirements include stipulating to facts on the nature, extent, and causes of the alleged violations and the nature of the respondents' operations. Section 103.302 also requires that the parties stipulate to facts called for by Section 33(c) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/33(c) (2002)). The People and the respondents have satisfied Section 103.302. The respondents neither admit nor deny the alleged violations. The respondents agree to pay a civil penalty of \$9,000. The Board accepts the stipulation and proposed settlement.

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

**ORDER**

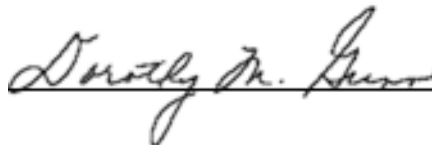
1. The Board accepts and incorporates by reference the stipulation and proposed settlement.
2. The respondents must pay a civil penalty of \$9,000, for which they are jointly and severally liable, no later than March 6, 2004, which is the 30th day after the date of this order. The respondents must pay the civil penalty by certified check or money order, payable to the Environmental Protection Trust Fund. The case number, case name, and the respondents' federal employer identification numbers must be included on the certified check or money order.
3. The respondents must send the certified check or money order to:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
Fiscal Services Division  
1021 North Grand Avenue East  
P.O. Box 19276  
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
4. Penalties unpaid within the time prescribed will accrue interest under Section 42(g) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/42(g) (2002)) at the rate set forth in Section 1003(a) of the Illinois Income Tax Act (35 ILCS 5/1003(a) (2002)).
5. The respondents must cease and desist from the alleged violations.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Section 41(a) of the Environmental Protection Act provides that final Board orders may be appealed directly to the Illinois Appellate Court within 35 days after the Board serves the order. 415 ILCS 5/41(a) (2002); *see also* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(d)(2), 101.906, 102.706. Illinois Supreme Court Rule 335 establishes filing requirements that apply when the Illinois Appellate Court, by statute, directly reviews administrative orders. 172 Ill. 2d R. 335. The Board's procedural rules provide that motions for the Board to reconsider or modify its final orders may be filed with the Board within 35 days after the order is received. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.520; *see also* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.902, 102.700, 102.702.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above opinion and order on February 19, 2004 by a vote of 5-0.



Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk  
Illinois Pollution Control Board