

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
October 19, 2004

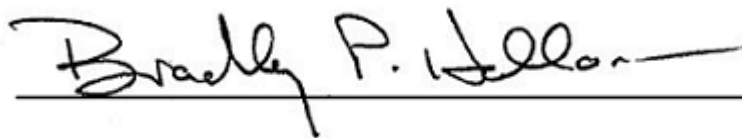
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,     )  
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          Complainant,                                     )  
  )  
          v.   )     PCB 04-178  
  )     (Enforcement – Air)  
H.B.M ELECTROCHEMICAL COMPANY,     )  
an Illinois corporation, and NED MANDICH,     )  
individually, as president of H.B.M.     )  
Electrochemical Company,                                 )  
  )  
          Respondents.                                     )

**HEARING OFFICER ORDER**

On October 14, 2004, all parties participated in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer. The complainant represented that the respondents have agreed to the settlement terms and that it has drafted a stipulation and proposal for settlement (stipulation) for review. The complainant agreed to an extension of time for the respondents to file their answer, if needed, to and including January 17, 2005. To that end, the respondents' answer is now due to be filed on or before January 17, 2005.

The parties or their legal representatives are directed to participate in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer on December 16, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. The telephonic status conference must be initiated by the complainant, but each party is nonetheless responsible for its own appearance. At the status conference, the parties must be prepared to discuss the status of the above-captioned matter and their readiness for hearing. If, however, a stipulation is filed before the next status conference, the conference will be cancelled without further order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



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