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Dear Dorothy Gunn

Your rules Listed below met our codification standards and have been published in Volume 29, Issue 17 of the Illinois Register, dated 4/22/2005.

PROPOSED RULES

Water Quality Standards (Withdrawal of Proposed)

35 Ill. Adm. Code 302

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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

- 1) Heading of the Part: Water Quality Standards
- 2) Code Citation: 35 Ill. Adm. Code 302
- 3)

<u>Section Numbers:</u>	<u>Proposed Action:</u>
302.202	Amend
302.307	Add
302.525	Amend
- 4) Date Notice of Proposed Amendments Published in the Illinois Register: Aug. 6, 2004 at 28 Ill. Reg. 10887 (Board Docket R04-21)
- 5) Reason for the Withdrawal:
In summary, the Board is withdrawing the August 6, 2004 first notice in order to avoid any confusion. The Board intends to cause publication of a different numerical standard, based on public comments.

The first notice proposal published August 6, 2004 is identical to the proposal filed with the Board by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency), and docketed by the Board as R04-21. The Agency proposed to have the Board change the general use and Lake Michigan water quality standards for radium from 1 picocurie per liter (pCi/L) radium 226 to 5 pCi/L combined radium 226 and 228 and apply the proposed standards specifically to surface waters used for public and food processing water supplies.

After considering testimony from 5 days of public hearings and the 38 comments received after the August 6, 2004 first-notice publication, the Board found that the record demonstrated a need to maintain a general use water quality standard, protective both of human health and riparian mammals in the environment. However, compliance must also be reasonable for Northern Illinois publicly owned treatment works located in areas where naturally occurring radium is prevalent in source water.

So, on April 7, 2005 the Board proposed its own revised general use water quality standard for radium. Because of the extent of the changes to the first-notice proposal, the Board finds it appropriate to publish its own April 7, 2005 proposal

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for a second first-notice in this docket. To avoid any confusion, the Board withdraws the August 6, 2004 proposal.

The Board expects that first notice of the Board proposal will be published in the *Illinois Register* soon. In summary, the Board will propose a general use water quality standard of 3.75 pCi/L combined radium 226 and 228 to replace the existing radium 226 standard of 1 pCi/L. If adopted, this new standard would apply to all general use waters of the State as well as the Lake Michigan Basin. The Board proposal would apply a combined radium standard of 30 pCi/L to stream segments that receive discharge from POTWs receiving wastewater discharge from public drinking water supplies using groundwater with a high radium concentration. The 30 pCi/L combined radium 226 and 228 standard would apply from the point of discharge to one mile downstream of the discharge outfall.

Questions regarding this matter may be referred to Amy Antonioli at 312/814-3665