Board Solicits Public Comments on Proposed Amendments to Noise Regulations

On October 3, 2002, the Illinois Pollution Control Board adopted an opinion soliciting public comments in the rulemaking entitled <u>Noise Rule Update: Amendments to 35 Ill.</u> <u>Adm. Code 900 and 903</u>, R03-08. The Board initiated this rulemaking to amend and update the Board's noise rules.

The rulemaking proposal would update definitions and sound measurement procedures contained in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 900. These definitions and measurement procedures were adopted in 1973, but have never been updated. The basis for these changes is the American National Standards Institute updates from the years 1998-2001.

The Board will hold two hearings on the proposal. The first hearing will be held on November 7, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. at the James R. Thompson Center, 100 W. Randolph Street, Room 11-1512 in Chicago. The second hearing will be held on November 21, 2002 at the Illinois Pollution Control Board Offices at 600 S. Second Street, Hearing Room 403 in Springfield. Written comments should contain the rulemaking title and docket number (R03-08) and should be sent to the Clerk's office at the following address:

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