Board Adopts First Notice Proposal to Update Illinois' Nonhazardous Solid Waste Landfill Regulations

The Board, on February 3, 2011, adopted its first notice opinion and order in a proposal to amend its waste disposal regulations. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) initiated this proceeding by filing a rulemaking proposal on July 27, 2009. The proposal is docketed as In the Matter of: Financial Assurance Instruments – Renewal and Terms: Amendments to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 807.Subpart F and Appendix A, 810.104, 811.Subparts C, G and Appendix A (R10-09).

The IEPA's proposal updates specific segments of the Board's non-hazardous solid waste landfill regulations relating to financial assurance. The purpose of financial assurance rules is to establish requirements for performance bonds and other securities insuring closure and post-closure care and corrective action at non-hazardous waste landfill sites. The IEPA wants the Board to update the rules to correspond with the hazardous waste financial assurance standards derived from the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle C hazardous waste regulations and the Boards other financial assurance programs.

The Board held two public hearings in this rulemaking.

Publication of these proposed amendments in the *Illinois Register* will begin a 45-day public comment period, during which anyone may file a public comment with the Board. The Board encourages persons to file public comments on these proposed amendments. The docket number for this rulemaking, R10-09, should be indicated on the public comment.

Public comments must be filed with the Clerk of the Board. Public comments may be filed at the following address:

Pollution Control Board James R. Thompson Center 100 W. Randolph Street, Suite 11-500 Chicago, IL 60601

In addition, public comments may be filed electronically through COOL at www.ipcb.state.il.us. Any questions about electronic filing through COOL should be directed to the Clerk's Office at (312) 814-3629

Opinions and orders of the Board, hearing transcripts, and other documents in rulemaking records are posted on the Board's Web site and may be downloaded from the Web without charge. Hard copies may be obtained for \$.75 per page from the Clerk's office.

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