Board Propose Changes to Procedural Rules

On September 20, 2012, the Pollution Control Board adopted for first notice publication in the *Illinois Register* a single amendment to the Board's existing procedural rule codified at 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.108(d) "Board Proceedings." The rulemaking is docketed as <u>In the Matter of:</u> Proposed Amendment to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.108 9(d) Conforming to P.A. 93-509 Re Board <u>Majority</u> (R13-9).

The proposed amendment clarifies that the affirmative votes of a three Member majority of this five Member Board is required to adopt a Board decision.

The Board invites public comment on this proposal, and will accept comment for 45-days from the date of publication of the proposed rules in the *Illinois Register*. The Board does not intend to hold a hearing on the proposed rule unless requested to do so. The Board is not required to hold a public hearing to amend its procedural rules pursuant to Section 26 and 27 of the Environmental Protection Act. 415 ILCS 5/26 and 27 (2010).

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, R13-9, 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 <u>www.ipcb.state.il.us</u>. 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 from the Clerk's office upon payment of reproduction fees as prescribed by Section 6 of the Freedom of Information Act [5 ILCS 140/6].

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