ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD November 5, 2015

COUNTY OF JACKSON,)
)
Complainant,)
)
v.) AC 16-3
) (Administrative Citation)
LORIE BRYANT,)
)
Respondent.)

OPINION AND ORDER OF THE BOARD (by D. Glosser):

On October 5, 2015, County of Jackson (County) timely filed an administrative citation against Lorie Bryant (respondent). *See* 415 ILCS 5/31.1(c) (2014); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(b), 108.202(c). The administrative citation concerns respondent's open dump facility located at 1320 Boskydell Road in Carbondale, Jackson County. The property is commonly known to the County as the "Carbondale/Lorie Bryant" site and is designated with Site Code No. 0778095045. For the reasons below, the Board finds that respondent violated the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5 (2014)) and orders her to pay \$4,500 in civil penalties.

Under the Act, an administrative citation is an expedited enforcement action brought before the Board seeking civil penalties that are fixed by statute. Administrative citations may be filed only by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency or, if the Agency has delegated the authority, by a unit of local government, and only for limited types of alleged violations. *See* 415 ILCS 5/21(o), 21(p), 22.51, 22.51a, 31.1(c), 42(b)(4), 42(b)(4-5), 55(k) (2014); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 108.

In this case, County of Jackson alleges that on August 14, 2015, respondent violated Sections 21(p)(1), (p)(3), and (p)(7) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/21 (p)(1), (p)(3), and (p)(7) (2014)) by causing or allowing open dumping leading to litter, open burning, and deposition of general construction or demolition debris or clean construction or demolition debris at the facility. The County asks the Board to impose the statutory \$1,500 civil penalty per violation on respondent, for a total civil penalty of \$4,500. As required, the County served respondent with the administrative citation on September 24, 2015, which is within "60 days after the date of the observed violation." 415 ILCS 5/31.1(b) (2014); *see also* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(c), 108.202(b).

To contest an administrative citation, a respondent must file a petition with the Board no later than 35 days after being served with the administrative citation. If the respondent fails to do so, the Board must find that the respondent committed the violations alleged and impose the corresponding civil penalty. *See* 415 ILCS 31.1(d)(1) (2014); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(b), 108.204(b), 108.406. Here, any petition for review was due by October 29, 2015. Respondent

failed to timely file a petition. Accordingly, the Board finds that respondent violated Sections 21(p)(1), (p)(3), and (p)(7) of the Act.

The civil penalty for violating any provision of Sections 21(p) is \$1,500 for each violation, except that the penalty amount is \$3,000 for each violation that is the person's second or subsequent adjudicated violation of that provision. *See* 415 ILCS 5/42(b)(4-5) (2014); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 108.500(a). Because there are 3 violations of Sections 21(p) and no indication in the record that any of these is a second or subsequent adjudicated violation, the total civil penalty is \$4,500. Under Section 31.1(d)(1) of the Act, the Board attaches the administrative citation and makes it part of the order below.

This opinion constitutes the Board's finding of fact and conclusions of law.

ORDER

- 1. The Board finds that Lorie Bryant (respondent) violated Sections 21(p)(1), (p)(3), and (p)(7) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/21 (p)(1), (p)(3), and (p)(7) (2014)).
- 2. Respondent must pay a civil penalty of \$4,500 no later than December 7, 2015, which is the first business day following the 30th day after the date of this order. Respondent must pay the civil penalty by two checks or money orders, one made payable to the County of Jackson, c/o Jackson County Treasurer and the second made payable to Illinois Environmental Protection Trust Fund. The case number, case name, and respondent's social security number or federal employer identification number must be included on the checks.
- 3. Respondent must send checks made payable in equal amounts (50% of total penalty each) and the remittance form to:

Jackson County Treasurer Jackson County Courthouse Murphysboro, IL 62966

Fiscal Services Division Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, IL 62794

4. Penalties unpaid within the time prescribed will accrue interest under Section 42(g) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/42(g) (2014)) at the rate set forth in Section 1003(a) of the Illinois Income Tax Act (35 ILCS 5/1003(a) (2014)).

5. Payment of this penalty does not prevent future prosecution if the violations continue.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Section 41(a) of the Environmental Protection Act provides that final Board orders may be appealed directly to the Illinois Appellate Court within 35 days after the Board serves the order. 415 ILCS 5/41(a) (2014); see also 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(d)(2), 101.906, 102.706. Illinois Supreme Court Rule 335 establishes filing requirements that apply when the Illinois Appellate Court, by statute, directly reviews administrative orders. 172 Ill. 2d R. 335. The Board's procedural rules provide that motions for the Board to reconsider or modify its final orders may be filed with the Board within 35 days after the order is received. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.520; see also 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.902, 102.700, 102.702.

I, John T. Therriault, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above opinion and order on November 5, 2015, by a vote of 5-0.

John T. Therriault, Clerk

Illinois Pollution Control Board

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

COUNTY OF JACKSON	1)	1/ 3
Com	plaintant,)	ACIS-
V.)	Site Code: 0778095045ED
LORIE BRYANT,		5	OCT - 5 2015
Resp	ondent.)	STATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board

JURISDICTION

This Administrative Citation is issued pursuant to authority vested in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency by 415 ILCS 5/1 *et.seq.*, specifically 415 ILCS 5/31.1.

FACTS

- The Respondent, Lorie Bryant, is the present owner and occupant and in control
 and possession of a facility located in the County of Jackson, State of Illinois.
- 2. The facility is an open dump, operating without an Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Operating Permit, and designated with the Site Code #00778095045. The facility is known to the Agency as the Carbondale/Lorie Bryant, Jackson County, Illinois site.
- The Respondent has owned, occupied, controlled and/or operated the facility at all relevant times hereto.
- 4. On August 14, 2015 Don Terry, Field Inspector, Jackson County Health

Department, inspected the facility. A true and correct copy of the inspection report, along with Mr. Terry's affidavit, are attached and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A.

VIOLATIONS

On the basis of Field Inspector, Don Terry's, direct observation, he has determined that the Respondent has caused or allowed open dumping at the above described facility in a manner that resulted in the following violations:

That on August 14, 2015, an on-site inspection of the facility disclosed the following:

- 1. The Respondent has caused or allowed litter at the facility in violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(1).
- 2. The Respondent has caused or allowed open burning in violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(3).
- 3. The Respondent has caused or allowed the deposition of general construction or demolition debris; or clean construction or demolition debris at the facility in violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(7).

CIVIL PENALTY

Pursuant to Section 42(b)(4-5) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/42(b)(4-5), Respondent is subject to civil penalty of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) for each of the violations identified above, for a total of <u>Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4,500)</u>. If Respondent elects not to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board, the statutory civil

penalty specified above shall be due and payable no later than November 1, 2015, unless otherwise provided by order of the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

If Respondent elects to contest the Administrative Citation by petitioning the Illinois Pollution Control Board in accordance with Section 31.1 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1 and if the Illinois Pollution Control Board issues a finding of violation as alleged herein, after an adjudicatory hearing, Respondent shall be assessed the associated hearing costs incurred by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Those hearing costs shall be assessed in addition to the One Thousand Five Hundred (\$1,500) statutory civil penalty for each violation.

Pursuant to Section 31.1 (d)(1) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1(d)(1), if Respondent fails to petition or elects not to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board for review of this Administrative Citation within thirty-five (35) days of the date of service, the Illinois Pollution Control Board shall adopt a final order, which shall include this Administrative Citation and findings of violation as alleged herein, and shall impose the statutory civil penalty specified above.

When payment is made, checks shall be made payable in equal amounts (50% of total penalty each) to:

- County of Jackson, c/o Jackson County Treasurer, Jackson County
 Courthouse, Murphysboro, Illinois, 62966; and
- (2) Illinois Environmental Protection Trust Fund and mailed to the attention of Fiscal Services, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, 1021 North

Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276.

Respondent shall complete and return the enclosed Remittance Forms with payments to ensure proper documentation of payment.

If any civil penalty and/or hearing costs are not paid within the time prescribed by order of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, interest on said penalty and/or hearing costs shall be assessed against the Respondent from the date payment is due up to and including the date that payment is received. The Complainant may either initiate proceedings against Respondent in Circuit Court or other debt collection actions to collect said penalty and/or hearing costs, plus any other interest accrued.

PROCEDURE FOR CONTESTING ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

You have the right to contest this Citation, pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/31.1. If you elect to contest this Citation, you must file a Petition for Review with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board. A copy of the Petition for Review shall also be filed with Rebecca Blomer, Assistant State's Attorney, Jackson County Courthouse, Third Floor, Murphysboro, Illinois 62966. YOUR PETITION FOR REVIEW MUST BE FILED WITHIN 35 DAYS OF THE DATE OF SERVICE OF THE PRESENT CITATION ON YOU. YOUR PETITION MUST STATE THE REASON(S) YOU BELIEVE THE PRESENT MATTER SHOULD NOT BE ISSUED. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE YOUR PETITION AND STATE THE REASONS THE PRESENT MATTER SHOULD NOT BE ISSUED, A DEFAULT ORDER AGAINST YOU WILL BE ENTERED BY THE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD.

Your original Petition must be filed with Clerk of the Board at:

Clerk Pollution Control Board 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500 Chicago, Illinois 60601-3218

A copy must also be sent to:

Office of the State's Attorney Rebecca Blomer Assistant State's Attorney Jackson County Courthouse, Third Floor Murphysboro, Illinois 62966

DATED: Sept. 15, 2015

MICHAEL C. CARR
Jackson County State's Attorney

REBECCA L. BLOMER Assistant State's Attorney Jackson County, Illinois

REMITTANCE FORM TO COUNTY OF JACKSON

COUNTY OF JACKSON,	1		OCT - 5 2015
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Respondent.			
	FACILITY:	Carbon	ndale/Lorie Bryant site
	COUNTY:	JACK	SON
	DATE OF INSPECTION	: Augu	st 14, 2015
	SITE CODE:	077809	95045
Date Remitted:	, 201	_	
SS/FEIN #			
Signature			

NOTE

Please include the information on the blank lines. Mail this form with your check to:

Jackson County Treasurer Jackson County Courthouse Murphysboro, Illinois, 62966

REMITTANCE FORM TO ILLINOIS EPA

COUNTY OF JACKSON,)	CLERK'S OFFICE OCT - 5 2015
Complainant, v. LORIE BRYANT, Respondent.) ACI	STATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board Code: 0778095045
	FACILITY: COUNTY: DATE OF INSPECTION: SITE CODE:	Carbondale/Lorie Bryant Site JACKSON August 14, 2015 0778095045
Date Remitted: SS/FEIN # Signature		

NOTE

Please enter the date of your remittance, social security number, if an individual, or Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) if a corporation, and sign the remittance form. Be sure the appropriate check is enclosed and mail, along with this remittance form, to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Attn: Fiscal Services, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276.