

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

December 21, 2017

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	PCB 18-47
)	(Enforcement - Air)
BODYCOTE THERMAL PROCESSING,)	
INC., a Delaware corporation,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by C.M. Santos):

On December 11, 2017, the Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois (People), filed a one-count complaint against Bodycote Thermal Processing, Inc. (Bodycote). The complaint concerns Bodycote's metal heat treatment facility located at 1975 North Ruby Street in Melrose Park, Cook County. Accompanying the complaint was a stipulation, proposal for settlement, and request for relief from the hearing requirement. The parties therefore seek to settle the complaint without a hearing. For the reasons below, the Board accepts the complaint and directs the Clerk to provide public notice of the stipulation, proposed settlement, and request for hearing relief.

Under the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5 (2016)), the Attorney General and the State's Attorneys may bring actions before the Board to enforce Illinois' environmental requirements on behalf of the People. *See* 415 ILCS 5/31 (2016); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103. In this case, the People allege that Bodycote violated the Section 39.5(6)(b) of the Act by failing to submit the application to renew its Federally Enforceable State Operating Permit by the deadline for its facility. The Board finds that the complaint meets the applicable content requirements of the Board's procedural rules and accepts the complaint. *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.204(c).


On December 11, 2017, simultaneously with the People's complaint, the People and Bodycote filed a stipulation and proposed settlement, accompanied by a request for relief from the hearing requirement of Section 31(c)(1) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (2016)). This filing is authorized by Section 31(c)(2) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2016)), which requires that the public have an opportunity to request a hearing whenever the State and a respondent propose settling an enforcement action without a public hearing. *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(a). Under the proposed stipulation, Bodycote admits the alleged violations and agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$10,000.

Unless the Board determines that a hearing is needed, the Board must cause notice of the stipulation, proposed settlement, and request for relief from the hearing requirement. Any person may file a written demand for hearing within 21 days after receiving the notice. If anyone timely

files a written demand for hearing, the Board will deny the parties' request for relief and hold a hearing. *See* 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2016); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(b), (c). The Board directs the Clerk to provide the required notice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Don A. Brown, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on December 21, 2017, by a vote of 5-0.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Don A. Brown". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The first letter "D" is large and loops around the "on". The "A" is smaller and sits between "on" and "Brown". The "B" is large and loops around the "rown".

Don A. Brown, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board