ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD March 18, 1999

LAND AND LAKES COMPANY,)	
Petitioner,)	
V.)	PCB 99-69
))	(Pollution Control Facility
RANDOLPH COUNTY BOARD of COMMISSIONERS,)	Siting Appeal)
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by G.T. Girard):

On February 24, 1999, a motion to intervene in this pollution control facility siting appeal was filed on behalf of Kenneth Heine and Dora Spinney. On March 8, 1999, a response in opposition to the motion to intervene was filed by respondent. For the reasons discussed below the motion is denied.

Section 40.1 of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/40.1 (1996)) (Act) allows only the applicant to appeal a decision denying siting of a pollution control facility. A third-party may appeal a decision granting siting to a facility under subsection (b) of Section 40.1 of the Act. The courts have interpreted this statute to preclude a third party from seeking review of a decision denying siting for a facility. See, *e.g.*, Waste Management of Illinois Inc. v. IPCB, 160 Ill. App. 3d 434; 513 N.E. 2d 592 (2d Dist. 1987) and cases cited therein. Similarly, the Board has previously found that allowing a third-party to intervene would be granting party status to someone who does not have party status under Section 40.1 of the Act. 415 ILCS 5/40.1; and see Land and Lakes Company v. Village of Romeoville (September 1, 1994), PCB 94-195.

The Board has allowed intervention by a state's attorney. However, that intervention was allowed based on the state's attorney's analogous rights and duties to the Attorney General, so that a state's attorney may intervene to represent the public interest. <u>Land and Lakes Company v. Village of Romeoville</u> (September 1, 1994), PCB 94-195; <u>Land and Lakes Company v. Illinois Pollution Control Board</u>, 245 Ill. App. 3d 631, 616 N.E.2d 349 (3d Dist. 1993).

In prior cases, the Board has denied intervention where the applicant is seeking review of a decision denying siting. However, the Board has allowed movants to participate as an *amicus curiae*. See, Material Recovery Corporation v. Village of Lake in the Hills (March 11, 1993), PCB 93-11; Clean Quality Resources Inc. v. Marion County Board (February 28, 1991), PCB 90-216; Laidlaw Waste Systems v. McHenry County Board (June 16, 1988) PCB 88-27; and Waste Hauling, Inc. v. Macon County Board (January 23, 1992), PCB 91-233.

The Board therefore, denies the motion to intervene but the movants may participate as *amici* curiae.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above order was adopted on the 18th day of March 1999 by a vote of 6-0.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk

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