ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD December 7, 2000

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)	
Complainant,)	
v.)	PCB 00-172
ENVIROFIL OF ILLINOIS, INC., an Illinois corporation,)))	(Enforcement – Land, Water)
Respondent.))	

OPINION AND ORDER OF THE BOARD (by R.C. Flemal):

On April 7, 2000, the People of the State of Illinois (People) filed a five-count complaint against respondent Envirofil of Illinois, Inc. (Envirofil), a landfill operator. The complaint alleges Envirofil caused water pollution, failed to perform corrective action assessments, operated without prior conduct certification, failed to manage methane emissions, and failed to manage storm water discharges at its landfill in Macomb, McDonough County, Illinois. These activities were in alleged violation of Sections 12(a), 21(d) and 21(o)(11) of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/12(a), 21(d), (o)(11) (1998)), the Board's landfill regulations at 35 Ill. Adm. Code 745.201(b), 807.313, and special conditions VI.4, VII.14, VII.17, and X.7 of Envirofil's significant modification permit.

On November 2, 2000, the parties filed a joint stipulation and proposal for settlement, accompanied by a motion requesting relief from the hearing requirement of Section 31(c)(1) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (1998)). Pursuant to Section 31(c)(2) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (1998)), the Board caused publication of the required newspaper notice of the stipulation and proposal for settlement and request for relief from the hearing requirement. The notice appeared in *The Macomb Journal* on November 6, 2000. The Board did not receive any requests for hearing. Accordingly, the Board grants a waiver from the hearing requirement.

The stipulation and proposal for settlement sets forth the facts relating to the nature, operations, and circumstances surrounding the allegations in the complaint. Envirofil admits to the violations alleged by the People and agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$45,000.

The Board accepts the stipulation and proposal for settlement filed by the parties in this matter. Envirofil must continue to comply with any federal, State, or local regulations including, but not limited to, the Act and the Board's regulations.

This opinion constitutes the Board's findings of fact and conclusions of law in this matter.

ORDER

- 1. The Board hereby accepts the stipulation and settlement agreement executed by the People of the State of Illinois and Envirofil. The stipulation and settlement agreement is incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 2. Envirofil must pay the sum of \$45,000. Payment must be made within 30 days of the date of this order, that is, on or before January 6, 2001. Such payment must be made by certified check or money order payable to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, designated to the Environmental Protection Trust Fund. The case number, case name, and Envirofil's Federal Employer Identification number 37-095-7555 must also be included on the certified check or money order and clearly indicate that payment is directed to the Environmental Protection Trust Fund.
- 3. The check or money order must be sent by first class mail to:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Fiscal Services Division 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

A copy of the payment transmittal and check shall be simultaneously submitted to:

Office of the Attorney General Donna Lutes, Environmental Bureau 500 South Second Street Springfield, Illinois 62706

- 4. Any such penalty not paid within the time prescribed shall incur interest at the rate set forth in subsection (a) of Section 1003 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, (35 ILCS 5/1003 (1998)), as now or hereafter amended, from the date payment is due until the date payment is received. Interest does not accrue during the pendency of an appeal during which payment of the penalty has been stayed.
- 5. Envirofil must cease and desist future alleged violations of any federal, State, or local statutes and regulations.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Section 41 of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/41 (1998)) provides for the appeal of final Board orders to the Illinois Appellate Court within 35 days of the date of service

of this order. Illinois Supreme Court Rule 335 establishes such filing requirements. See 172 Ill. 2d R. 335; see also 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.246, Motions for Reconsideration.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above opinion and order was adopted on the 7th day of December 2000 by a vote of 7-0.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk

Illinois Pollution Control Board

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