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**STATE OF ILLINOIS
Pollution Control Board**

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
May 19, 2008

IN THE MATTER OF:)
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WATER QUALITY STANDARDS AND) R08-9
EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS FOR THE) (Rulemaking - Water)
CHICAGO AREA WATERWAY SYSTEM)
AND LOWER DES PLAINES RIVER)
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO 35 ILL.)
ADM. CODE 301, 302, 303, and 304)

NOTICE OF HEARINGS

DATES, TIMES, AND PLACES:

ALL HEARINGS TO BE CONTINUED DAY - TO - DAY ON THESE DATES:

HEARINGS TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 8, 9, 10, 2008.

9:00 a.m.
Room 9-040
100 W. Randolph
James R. Thompson Building
Chicago, IL

PURPOSE OF HEARINGS: Merit and Economic
ATTENDING BOARD MEMBERS: G. Tanner Girard
HEARING OFFICER: Marie E. Tipsord

HEARING OFFICER ORDER

On Wednesday, April 23, 2008, prior to the start of hearing in Des Plaines, a prehearing conference was held pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 102.404. The participants discussed hearing dates and how best to organize the remaining hearings. The participants agreed to begin with the use designations for the Chicago Area Waterways System (CAWS) to be followed by the use designations for the lower Des Plaines River. This organization will include testimony on recreational use designations for the two areas. Prefiling deadlines were also discussed and those were tentatively set for August 4, 2008, for prefiled testimony and August 25, 2008, for prefiled questions.

Today hearings are set in September. The hearings will be continued day-to-day until business is concluded. If there are questions and testimony remaining at the close of business on


September 10, 2008, hearings may be resumed on September 23, 2008, and continue on September 24 and 25, 2008.

When the testimony and questioning on use designations are completed, additional hearing dates to hear testimony on the water quality standards will be scheduled. Participants should be prepared to discuss additional hearing dates at that time.

Testimony must be prefiled by August 4, 2008 and the mailbox rule does not apply. Prefiled questions must be filed by August 25, 2008 and the mailbox rule does not apply. If these deadlines cannot be met, a motion must be filed with the hearing officer explaining why and how long an extension is being sought. Any motion to extend these prefiling deadlines must be filed prior to these deadlines and any response is to be filed within seven (7) days of receipt, to avoid undue delay in this proceeding.

All filings in this proceeding will be available on the Board's web page at www.ipcb.state.il.us and participants may file electronically on the Board's web page. The prefiled testimony and questions must be served on the persons on the service list, except it is not necessary to serve the hearing officer with the prefiled testimony and questions for these hearings.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



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