

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
February 6, 2003

V. W. BOWMAN OIL COMPANY,)	
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Petitioner,)	
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v.)	PCB 03-60
)	(UST Appeal)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)	
PROTECTION AGENCY,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by T. E. Johnson):

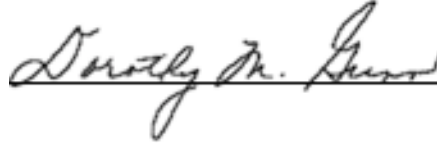
On November 7, 2002, the Board, at the parties' request, extended until January 29, 2003, the time period within which V. W. Bowman Oil Company (Bowman Oil) may appeal a September 26, 2002 determination of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency). *See* 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.406. On January 29, 2003, Bowman Oil placed in the U.S. mail a petition asking the Board to review the Agency's determination. The Board received the petition on January 31, 2003. Because the petition's postmark date is on the deadline date for contesting the Agency decision, the petition is timely filed. *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(b)(2). The Agency modified the high priority corrective action plan budget regarding a leaking underground storage tank site at Vienna and Shipping Street in Anna, Union County. Bowman Oil appeals on the grounds that the Agency's decision was arbitrary and capricious. Bowman Oil's petition meets the content requirements of 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.408. The Board accepts the petition for hearing.

Bowman Oil has the burden of proof. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.112(a). Hearings will be based exclusively on the record before the Agency at the time the Agency issued its determination. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.412. Hearings will be scheduled and completed in a timely manner, consistent with the decision deadline (*see* 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(2) (2002)), which only Bowman Oil may extend by waiver. *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.308. If the Board fails to take final action by the decision deadline, Bowman Oil may deem its request granted. *See* 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(2) (2002). Currently, the decision deadline is May 31, 2003 (the 120th day after January 31, 2003). *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.114. The Board meeting immediately before the decision deadline is scheduled for May 15, 2003.

Unless the Board or the hearing officer orders otherwise, the Agency must file the entire record of its determination by March 3, 2003, the first business day after March 2, 2003, which is 30 days after Bowman Oil filed the petition. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.410(a). If the Agency wishes to seek additional time to file the record, it must file a request for extension before the date on which the record is due to be filed. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.116. The record must comply with the content requirements of 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.410(b).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on February 6, 2003, by a vote of 7-0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dorothy M. Gunn", is written over a horizontal line.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board