

Board Adopts Amendments Updating Air Pollution Control Rules

In a May 4, 2006 opinion and order, the Illinois Pollution Control Board adopted amendments designed to clarify, correct, streamline, and update numerous provisions of the Board's air pollution control rules. The amendments are contained in the consolidated rulemaking dockets R04-20, captioned In the Matter of: Clean-Up Part III Amendments To 35 Ill. Adm. Code Parts 211, 218, and 219, and R04-12, captioned In the Matter of: Technical Corrections to Formulas in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 214 "Sulfur Limitations".

The following air pollution control rules were amended: Part 211 (definitions and general provisions); Part 214 (sulfur limitations); Part 218 (organic material emission standards and limitations for the Chicago area); and Part 219 (organic material emission standards and limitations for the Metro East area). The amendments include changes to give sources more flexibility in meeting volatile organic material (VOM) emission "capture efficiency" (CE) requirements.

On April 11, 2006, the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) issued certifications of no objection concerning the amendments proposed by the Board at second notice. The Board will now file the adopted amendments with the Secretary of State for publication in the *Illinois Register* as final rules.

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