

## **Board Accepts for Hearing a Proposal Establishing a Registration Program for Small Sources of Air Emissions**

On August 18, 2011, the Board accepted for hearing a proposal by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) to create a program for Registration of Smaller Sources (ROSS). The Board directed the Clerk to publish the proposal, docketed as In the Matter of: Registration of Smaller Sources (ROSS): New 35 Ill. Adm. Code 201.175 (R12-10), in the *Illinois Register* for public comment.

Public Act 97-0095, effective July 12, 2011, includes a new Section 9.14 of the Environmental Protection Act providing for adoption of ROSS provisions. To implement Section 9.14, the IEPA proposes adding a new Section 201.175 to the Board's existing air pollution regulations. The IEPA projects that, based on the criteria included in its proposal, "an estimated 3,230 small emission sources, or roughly 50% of the currently permitted emission sources, will no longer have direct permitting obligations to the Illinois EPA."

The first hearing on the IEPA's proposal will take place On Wednesday, October 5, 2011, in Springfield, and the second will take place on Thursday, October 27, 2011, in Chicago.

The Board encourages persons to file public comments on these proposed amendments. The docket number for this rulemaking, R12-10, should be indicated on the public comment.

Public comments must be filed with the Clerk of the Board. Public comments may be filed at the following address:

Pollution Control Board  
James R. Thompson Center  
100 W. Randolph Street, Suite 11-500  
Chicago, IL 60601

In addition, public comments may be filed electronically through COOL at [www.ipcb.state.il.us](http://www.ipcb.state.il.us). Any questions about electronic filing through COOL should be directed to the Clerk's Office at (312) 814-3629.

Opinions and orders of the Board, hearing transcripts, and other documents in rulemaking records are posted on the Board's Web site and may be downloaded from the Web without charge. Hard copies may be obtained from the Clerk's office upon payment of reproduction fees as prescribed by Section 6 of the Freedom of Information Act [5 ILCS 140/6].

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