

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

May 29, 1974

COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY,)
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 Petitioner,)
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 v.) PCB 74-11
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 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,)
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 Respondent.)

INTERIM ORDER OF THE BOARD (by Mr. Henss):

Commonwealth Edison Company has filed a Motion requesting extension of an Interim Variance previously granted by the Board on April 4, 1974. The April 4, 1974 Order extended (1) a variance previously granted on April 4, 1973 and amended on November 29, 1973 relative to the Waukegan Station and (2) a variance granted on October 4, 1973 and amended on November 29, 1973 and again on December 20, 1973 relative to the Sabrooke Station. The Motion is hereby allowed and Edison is granted an extension of the interim variance until August 4, 1974 for its Waukegan Station and its Sabrooke Units 1, 2 and 3. The shutdown dates for Sabrooke Units 2 and 3 will now be August 4, 1974.

On May 9, 1974 the Federal Energy Office orally gave Edison permission to use oil in Sabrooke Unit #4 and to proceed with conversion of either Sabrooke Unit 2 or 3 to oil firing. However, Edison reports that no ruling has been made relative to the oil conversion of the remaining two units. If Edison were required to adhere to the previous interim variance, Sabrooke could experience difficulties in meeting that Station's summer peak load requirements.

Hearings are currently proceeding on Edison's variance request for five stations, including the Waukegan and Sabrooke Stations. Neither the Agency nor the Attorney General has expressed any objection to this interim extension and the Board believes that this extension will allow for orderly completion of the record which is requisite for our final decision in this matter.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Christan L. Moffett, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify the above Interim Order was adopted this 24th day of May, 1974 by a vote of 5 to 0.

Christan L. Moffett