

Board Adopts Second Notice Proposal to Reduce Volatile Organic Material Emissions

On March 15, 2012, the Illinois Pollution Control Board adopted a second-notice proposal to amend Part 223 of the Board's regulations addressing volatile organic material (VOM) emissions from various consumer products and aerosol coatings. On July 13, 2011, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) filed the proposal, which is docketed as In the Matter of: Standards and Limitations for Organic Material Emissions for Area Sources: Amendments to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 223, (R12-8).

Specifically, the proposal amends Part 223 to "include limits in percent VOM by weight for adhesive removers, contact adhesives, non-aerosol antistatic products, electrical cleaners, engine degreasers, fabric refreshers, footwear or leather care products, graffiti removers, hair styling products, shaving gels, and wood cleaners." The IEPA also proposed to amend the existing Architectural and Industrial Maintenance rule in order to clarify it and simplify compliance.

The Board received no comment on its proposed amendments during the 45-day first-notice comment period. The Board submitted its first-notice proposal without substantive amendment to second-notice review by the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules

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