

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
Pollution Control Board

IN THE MATTER OF: )  
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WATER QUALITY STANDARDS AND ) R08-9 (D)  
EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS FOR THE ) (Rulemaking - Water)  
CHICAGO AREA WATERWAY SYSTEM )  
AND LOWER DES PLAINES RIVER )  
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO 35 ILL. )  
ADM. CODE 301, 302, 303, and 304 )


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**HEARING OFFICER ORDER**

On January 31, 2014, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) and ExxonMobil Oil Corporation filed comments regarding the status of this subdocket. In its comment, IEPA asked that a new subdocket be opened to address chlorides and Exxon Mobil agreed with this request. On February 13, 2014, Citgo Petroleum Corporation and PDV Midwest LLC filed a response to the IEPA's filing, opposing a delay of a Board decision on water quality standards for chlorides in the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal. On March 6, 2014, the Board declined the request for a new subdocket and directed the hearing officer to establish a comment period to allow participants to provide final pre-first notice comments on the IEPA's proposed water quality standards.

Pursuant to that direction, pre-first notice comments must be filed with the Board by April 7, 2014. If participants wish to respond to the comments filed on April 7, 2014, responses must be filed by April 21, 2014. The mailbox rule does not apply to the filing of the comments and responses. *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

  
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