

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
December 21, 1971

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 v.) # 71-363
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 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY)

Opinion and Order of the Board (by Mr. Currie) :

This petition seeks to connect one home to a sewer tributary to an overloaded sewage treatment plant covered by our connection ban order of March 31, 1971 (League of Women Voters v. North Shore Sanitary District, # 70-7). The home has been in existence for approximately nine years and is presently inhabited; the existing septic system serving the home is inadequate, there are frequent sewer back-ups and there is a constant odor both in and around the home. Septic system contractors have been consulted but have been unable to devise a reliable solution due primarily to the fact that the property is located in a relatively low area, the high clay content of the soil and the size of the lot. Given the obvious pollution and health hazard that presently exists, we think that the requested connection will be the lesser of two evils, and we hereby grant the variance. See Winsor v. EPA, # 71-334 (November 23, 1971).

I, Christan Moffett, Acting Clerk of the Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above Opinion and Order this 21st day of December, 1971 by a vote of 4-0.

