ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD July 9, 2015

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)
PROTECTION AGENCY,)
)
Complainant,)
)
v.) AC 14-27
) (IEPA No. 338-13-AC)
STEVEN and ANTHONY SOHN,) (Administrative Citation)
)
Respondent.)

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by D. Glosser):

On November 26, 2013, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency) timely filed an administrative citation against Steven and Anthony Sohn (respondents). *See* 415 ILCS 5/31.1(c) (2014); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(b), 108.202(c). The administrative citation concerns respondents' facility located on the south side of 372nd Avenue, approximately 1/4 mile west of the intersection of Perry Fishhook Road and 372nd Avenue southeast of Fishhook in Fairmount Township, Pike County. The property is commonly known to the Agency as the "Fairmount Township/Sohn" site and is designated with Site Code No. 1498060004. The Agency alleges that on October 10, 2013, respondents violated Section 21(p)(1) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/21(p)(1) (2014)) by causing or allowing open dumping at the Pike County site.

On June 30, 2015, the Agency filed a motion to withdraw the administrative citation (Motion). The Agency states that, "[b]ased upon facts and circumstances discovered since the filing of the Administrative Citation, [the Agency] has determined that it is prudent to withdraw this Administrative Citation at this time." Motion at 1. The Board grants the Agency's motion, dismisses the case, and closes the docket.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, John T. Therriault, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on July 9, 2015, by a vote of 5-0.

John T. Therriault, Clerk

Illinois Pollution Control Board

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION



ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION) AGENCY,)	Control Board
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Respondents.	

JURISDICTION

This Administrative Citation is issued pursuant to the authority vested in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency by Section 31.1 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1 (2010).

FACTS

- 1. That Steven and Anthony Sohn are the current owners ("Respondents") of a facility located on the south side of 372nd Avenue, approximately ¼ mile west of the intersection of Perry Fishhook Road and 372nd Avenue southeast of Fishhook, Fairmount Township, Pike County, Illinois. The property is commonly known to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency as Fairmount Township/Sohn.
 - That said facility is designated with Site Code No. 1498060004.
 - That Respondents have owned said facility at all times pertinent hereto.
- 4. That on October 10, 2013, Mark Weber of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's ("Illinois EPA") Peoria Regional Office inspected the above-described facility. A copy of his inspection report setting forth the results of said inspection is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

5. That on 11-18-13, Illinois EPA sent this Administrative Citation via Certified Mail No. 7012 0470 0001 2973 9255

VIOLATIONS

Based upon direct observations made by Mark Weber during the course of his October 10, 2013 inspection of the above-named facility, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has determined that Respondents have violated the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (hereinafter, the "Act") as follows:

(1) That Respondents caused or allowed the open dumping of waste in a manner resulting in litter, a violation of Section 21(p)(1) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(1) (2010).

CIVIL PENALTY

Pursuant to Section 42(b)(4-5) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/42(b)(4-5) (2010), Respondents are subject to a civil penalty of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) for each of the violations identified above, for a total of <u>One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00)</u>. If Respondents elect not to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board, the statutory civil penalty specified above shall be due and payable no later than <u>December 16, 2013</u>, unless otherwise provided by order of the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

If Respondents elect to contest this Administrative Citation by petitioning the Illinois Pollution Control Board in accordance with Section 31.1 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1 (2010), and if the Illinois Pollution Control Board issues a finding of violation as alleged herein, after an adjudicatory hearing, Respondents shall be assessed the associated hearing costs incurred by the Illinois Environmental

Protection Agency and the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Those hearing costs shall be assessed in addition to the One Thousand Five Hundred Dollar (\$1,500.00) statutory civil penalty for each violation.

Pursuant to Section 31.1(d)(1) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1(d)(1) (2010), if Respondents fail to petition or elect not to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board for review of this Administrative Citation within thirty-five (35) days of the date of service, the Illinois Pollution Control Board shall adopt a final order, which shall include this Administrative Citation and findings of violation as alleged herein, and shall impose the statutory civil penalty specified above.

When payment is made, Respondent's check shall be made payable to the Illinois Environmental Protection Trust Fund and mailed to the attention of Fiscal Services, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276. Along with payment, Respondents shall complete and return the enclosed Remittance Form to ensure proper documentation of payment.

If any civil penalty and/or hearing costs are not paid within the time prescribed by order of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, interest on said penalty and/or hearing costs shall be assessed against the Respondents from the date payment is due up to and including the date that payment is received. The Office of the Illinois Attorney General may be requested to initiate proceedings against Respondents in Circuit Court to collect said penalty and/or hearing costs, plus any interest accrued.

PROCEDURE FOR CONTESTING THIS ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

Respondents have the right to contest this Administrative Citation pursuant to and in accordance with Section 31.1 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31/1 (2010). If Respondents elect to contest this Administrative Citation, then Respondents shall file a signed Petition for Review, including a Notice of Filing, Certificate of Service, and Notice of Appearance, with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, State of Illinois Center, 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500, Chicago, Illinois 60601. A copy of said Petition for Review shall be filed with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Division of Legal Counsel at 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276. Section 31.1 of the Act provides that any Petition for Review shall be filed within thirty-five (35) days of the date of service of this Administrative Citation or the Illinois Pollution Control Board shall enter a default judgment against the Respondents.

Date:

11/18/2013

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REMITTANCE FORM



ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION) AGENCY,)	STATE OF ILLUXUS Pollution Control Board
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FACILITY:

Fairmount Township/Sohn

SITE CODE NO .:

1498060004

COUNTY:

Pike

CIVIL PENALTY:

\$1,500.00

DATE OF INSPECTION:

October 10, 2013

DATE REMITTED:

SS/FEIN NUMBER:

SIGNATURE:

NOTE

Please enter the date of your remittance, your Social Security number (SS) if an individual or Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) if a corporation, and sign this Remittance Form. Be sure your check is enclosed and mail, along with Remittance Form, to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Attn.: Fiscal Services, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276.