

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
November 23, 1971

NORTH SHORE SANITARY DISTRICT )  
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 v. ) # 71-343  
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 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY )  
  
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS )  
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 v. ) # 70-7  
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 NORTH SHORE SANITARY DISTRICT )

Preliminary Order (by Mr. Currie):

We have authorized a hearing on this important petition (# 71-343), which seeks partial relief from the sewer connection ban imposed by our order of March 31, League of Women Voters v. North Shore Sanitary District, # 70-7, on the ground of recent improvements in sewage treatment. We gather from the petition that these improvements relate primarily to reductions of BOD and suspended solids in the overloaded plants. While such improvements are of the utmost importance, we call the parties' attention at this time to the additional problem of bacterial and other contamination from combined sewer overflows and plant bypasses, which was extensively explored in the original case. Interim measures to reduce these hazards would be of considerable weight in passing upon the present petition, and we encourage testimony on this subject.

We have recently received, apropos this subject, the comments of the League of Women Voters with respect to the District's report of possible measures for the Water Street overflow problem in Waukegan. We think the coming hearing is the right place to explore what can and should be done about Water Street and the Gille Street overflow as well, and therefore consolidate the two proceedings.

It is so ordered.

I, Christan Moffett, Acting Clerk of the Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above Preliminary Order this 23 day of November, 1971.

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*Christan Moffett*

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