ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD January 21, 2016

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY,)	
Petitioner,)	
v.)	PCB 4-110
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,)	(Permit Appeal - Air)
Respondent.)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by J.A. Burke):

The Board of Trustees of Eastern Illinois University (petitioner) appealed a Clean Air Act Permit Program permit issued by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) on November 25, 2003 for the operation of a steam generating plant, a gas-fired boiler, and a gasoline storage tank in Coles County.

This permit appeal was filed on January 2, 2004 and the Board stayed the effective date of the permit. According to status conference reports filed by the Board's hearing officer, petitioner began working on a Federally Enforceable State Operating Permit (FESOP) application in December 2011. A revised construction permit was issued prior to February 2014, and the remainder of the year was spent "discussing whether to pursue an adjusted standard." Since January 7, 2015, status conference reports have merely stated that petitioner is continuing work on a FESOP application.

The Board directs petitioner to file a status report detailing its progress on this case by February 18, 2016. Petitioner must, among other details petitioner deems relevant, explain the progress petitioner is making on its FESOP application, identify when petitioner will submit the application to IEPA, and what the next steps following submittal of the application would be that will lead to resolution of this case. The Board asks petitioner to comment on whether the Board should set this case for hearing at the next status conference.

The Board further notes that attorney Sally Carter filed an appearance on behalf of IEPA on September 7, 2004. However, no attorney has appeared at a status call on behalf of IEPA since 2010. The Board directs IEPA to obtain attorney representation for this case, and to ensure appearances at future status conferences. The Board further directs IEPA to respond to petitioner's status report by March 17, 2016.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, John Therriault, Clerk for the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on January 21, 2016, by a vote of 5-0.

John Therriault, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board