ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD January 8, 1998

ILLINOIS STATE TOLL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY,)	
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Petitioner,)	
)	PCB 98-88
V.)	(UST - Appeal)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)	(90-Day Extension)
PROTECTION AGENCY,)	
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Respondent.)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by R.C. Flemal):

On December 19, 1997, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency) and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority (petitioner) filed a request for extension of the 35-day appeal period pursuant to Section 40 of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1) (1996)), relating to a November 14, 1997, Agency determination. The Agency requested the extension "to February 12, 1998, or any other date not more than a total of 90 days from the date of the Agency's final determination."

Section 40(a)(1) of the Act, which governs the appeal process, provides:

the 35-day period for petitioning for a hearing may be extended for a period of time not to exceed 90 days by written notice provided to the Board from the applicant and the Agency within the initial appeal period. 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1) (1996).

As the Board maintains its files by docket number only, the Board will reserve docket PCB 98-88 for any appeal which may be filed by petitioner. Petitioner is directed to use this docket number in any future filing concerning this appeal. In the event that petitioner fails to file an appeal on or before February 12, 1998 (the 90th day after November 14, 1997), the Board will dismiss the docket. A \$75 filing fee will be required if petitioner files such petition.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above order was adopted on the 8th day of January 1998, by a vote of 6-0.

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Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board