

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR INFORMAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 22, 1971, 189 W. MADISON ST., CHICAGO

Messrs. Harris, Welch, Tonelli, and Booras, representing the Cook County air pollution control agency, met with the Board to inquire about the County's role in combatting pollution vis-a-vis the state's. Mr. Currie said that the Environmental Protection Act and the Board encouraged local agencies, that such agencies could be particularly useful by adopting more stringent standards required by local conditions and by helping to carry the burden of enforcement, especially in regard to cases such as open burning. He advised the County to contact the Environmental Protection Agency in order to work out a plan of cooperation in enforcement, which was the business of EPA and not of the Board. Mr. Hansen of the EPA said that his office referred people complaining about Cook County sources to the County agency for investigation because of insufficient staff. Mr. Currie observed that he thought this policy, if it was a policy, was contrary to the philosophy of the Environmental Protection Act, under which primary responsibility for enforcement is placed upon the state agency.

The Board then discussed #70-21, the Commonwealth Edison application for a nuclear facilities permit at Dresden.

Mr. Kissel reported that the complainant wished to settle #70-35, Juergensmeyer v. Fox Valley Grease Blending Co. He reported that the plant was to be moved to another site, and advised that the Board insist that the new site be properly controlled. Mr. Dumelle added that the settlement should not excuse past violations. The Board agreed to seek the views of the Environmental Protection Agency before passing on the proposed settlement.

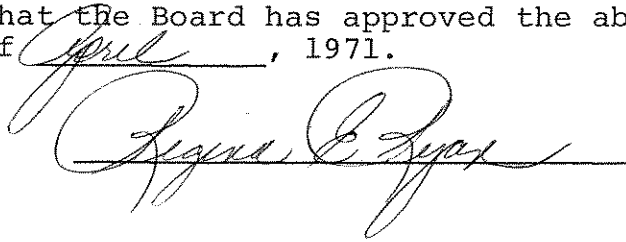
In #71-7, Olin Corp. v. EPA, the Board upon receipt of the EPA recommendation took final action to approved the requested extension regarding open burning of explosive wastes, since the existing variance expired the same day. Mr. Lawton agreed to prepare an opinion for later adoption.

The Board unanimously approved the final form of Mr. Aldrich's resolution asking the EPA to investigate possible pollution from a proposed power plant impoundment near Clinton. The substance of the resolution had been approved previously, on February 17.

Mr. Dumelle suggested that the Board send a followup resolution to Mr. Ruckelshaus regarding the procedures of the Lake Michigan Conference, since a month had passed with no reply to the Board's previous correspondence. He agreed to prepare such a resolution.

The Board agreed to discuss the mercury regulations at the next Monday meeting now that the transcript had been received, and to employ a court reporter to transcribe the proceedings of the coming federal symposium on advanced waste treatment.

I, Regina E. Ryan, certify that the Board has approved the above minutes this 28th day of April, 1971.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Regina E. Ryan", is written over a horizontal line.