ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD February 19, 1998

STEPAN COMPANY,)	
Petitioner,)	
)	
V.)	PCB 98-103
)	(Permit Appeal - Air)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)	(90-Day Extension)
PROTECTION AGENCY,)	•
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by C.A. Manning):

On February 3, 1998, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency) and Stepan Company (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 December 31, 1997, Agency determination. The Agency requested the extension "to March 31, 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 98-103 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 March 31, 1998, (the 90th day after December 31, 1997) the Board will dismiss the docket. A \$75 filing fee will be required if petitioner files a 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 19th day of February 1998, by a vote of 6-0.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk

Illinois Pollution Control Board