

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

August 4, 2025

INEOS JOLIET, LLC,)
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 Petitioner,)
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 v.)
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 ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL) PCB 16-24
 PROTECTON AGENCY,) (Time-Limited Water Quality Standard)
)
 Respondent.)

HEARING OFFICER ORDER

Abbreviated Procedural and Substantive History

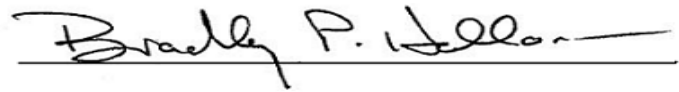
On December 21, 2021, I granted petitioner’s Third Motion to Stay the above-captioned matter until the Board reaches its decision on INEOS’ ATEL petition in PCB 23-135. On June 26, 2025, the Board granted the proposed ATELS to INEOS (PCB 23-135) and directed the Illinois EPA to include the ATELS in the facility’s permit in an expeditious manner. INEOS Joliet v. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency PCB 23-135, slip op. at 114-115 (June 26, 2025). To date, the renewal application remains pending with the Illinois EPA.

On July 31, 2025, the petitioner filed its Fourth Motion to Stay Proceedings (Mot.), “until INEOS Joliet, LLC’s renewed NPDES Permit [PCB 23-135] containing the ATELS is issued and becomes effective, with the stay of temperature water quality standard as to INEOS remaining in effect during the stay of these proceedings”. Mot. At 3.

Petitioner’s motion for stay is granted. The stay is in effect until INEOS Joliet LLC’s renewed NPDES Permit containing the ATELS is issued and becomes effective, including the stay remaining in effect of the temperature water quality standard as to INEOS for the duration, or until the Board orders otherwise. The Board has directed that the Illinois EPA to modify INEOS’s NPDES permit “expeditiously”. Id. at 115.

The parties or their legal representatives are directed to participate in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer on August 7, 2025, at 1:15 p.m. The telephonic status conference must be initiated by the petitioner, but each party is nonetheless responsible for its own appearance. At the status conference, the parties must be prepared to discuss the status of the above-captioned matter and their readiness for hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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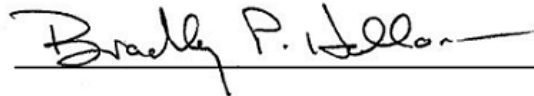
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

It is hereby certified that true copies of the foregoing order were e-mailed on August 4, 2025, to each of the persons on the service list below.

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