

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
October 18, 1989

CITY OF OTTAWA)
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 Petitioner,)
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 v.) PCB 88-52
) (CSO Exception)
 ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)
 PROTECTION AGENCY,)
)
 Respondent.)

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

On October 2, 1989, the City of Ottawa ("Ottawa") filed a motion for modification of Board Order. Ottawa requests the Board modify Condition 1 of its August 4, 1988 Order. Condition 1 states:

1. The City will prepare an operational plan for and make modifications to its sewer system, as specified in the petition, by October 1, 1989. Thereafter, an annual report detailing performance of the specified activities will be submitted to the Agency by January 31st of each year.

Ottawa requests the Board grant a five month extension to the October 1, 1989 deadline for preparation of an operational plan (to March 1, 1990), and a nine month extension to the October 1, 1989 deadline for making modifications to its sewer system (to June 1, 1990). Ottawa does not request any change in the schedule for submitting the annual report to the Agency by January 31 of each year following the preparation of the operational plan and the making of modifications to its sewer system. No changes were requested concerning the other conditions and deadlines as specified in the Board's August 4, 1988 Order. On October 18, 1989, the Agency filed its response indicating that it does not oppose the requested relief as long as Ottawa's deadline for making modifications to its sewer system does not extend more than nine months beyond the current deadline of October 1, 1989.

Ottawa gives several reasons for its request. These are the discovery of excessive infiltration and inflow after installation of certain sewers which required extensive field investigations, the receipt of a report from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers involving the construction of a dyke which necessitated modifications of the proposed manhole and sewer rehabilitation, necessity for additional flow monitoring, construction of

additional sewers to eliminate overflow #16, the later-than-anticipated issuance of general obligation bonds, and delays experienced in receiving Agency approval for modification of Ottawa's existing sewer use ordinance to prohibit downspouts and other sources of inflow into the combined sewer system.

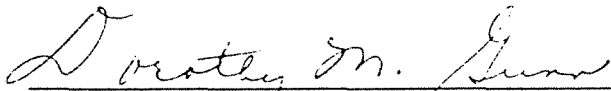
Ottawa states that completion of the draft operational plan is expected in the next six weeks. Ottawa further states that additional time is needed for staff and Agency review of the plan. Ottawa states that it has prepared plans and specifications for a significant portion of the required sewer system modifications, and that a construction permit application was submitted to the Agency on September 6, 1989. A construction permit for the remainder of the modifications will be submitted to the Agency in the near future.

The Board finds Ottawa's motion to be reasonable and that the requested extension will not alter the final completion of Ottawa's sewer separation program. The Board hereby grants Ottawa's motion for modification of Board Order. Ottawa shall prepare an operational plan for modifications to its sewer system, as specified in the petition, no later than March 1, 1990. Ottawa shall make modifications to its sewer system, as specified in the petition, no later than June 1, 1990.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Board Member Jacob D. Dumelle concurred.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above Order was adopted on the 18th day of October, 1989, by a vote of 7-0.



Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board