

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
October 17, 1996

IN THE MATTER OF: )  
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DEFINITION OF VOM UPDATE, ) R97-1  
USEPA REGULATIONS (January 1 ) (Identical-in-Substance)  
through June 30, 1996) ) (Air Rules)

Proposed rule.                      Dismissal order.

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by G.T. Girard):

Section 9.1(e) of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) requires the Board to adopt regulations which are "identical in substance" to exemptions from the definition of "volatile organic material" (VOM) those compounds that USEPA has found to be exempted from regulation under state implementation plans for ozone due to negligible photochemical reactivity. USEPA has codified these exemptions as part of its definition at 40 CFR 51.100(s). Accordingly, the Board reserved this docket for USEPA amendments during the period from January 1 through June 30, 1996.

During the period from January 1 through June 30, 1996, USEPA amended its definition of VOM on February 7, 1996, at 61 Fed. Reg. 4588, to add perchloroethylene (tetrachloroethylene) to the list of chemical species that are exempted from the definition of VOM and, hence, are exempted from regulation for control of ozone precursors. As a result of receipt of a public comment, the Board reserved docket R96-16 to deal with the subject matter of the February 7, 1996 federal amendment. USEPA made no further amendments to its definition of VOM during the time-frame of the present docket.

For the foregoing reasons, the Board hereby dismisses this proceeding.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Board Member K. Hennessey abstained.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, do hereby certify that the above order was adopted on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1997, by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_.

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Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk  
Illinois Pollution Control Board