ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD December 21, 2000

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
V.)	PCB 01-92
)	(Enforcement – Public Water Supply)
MARATHON OIL COMPANY,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

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

On December 11, 2000, the People of the State of Illinois (People) filed a two-count complaint against respondent Marathon Oil Company (Marathon), a gasoline station operator. The complaint alleges Marathon caused or allowed violations of groundwater quality standards and failed to implement a corrective action plan at its facility located at 200 West Edwards Street, Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. These activities were in alleged violation of Sections 12(a) and (d) of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/12(a), (d) (1998)) and the Board's groundwater quality and waste disposal regulations at 35 Ill. Adm. Code 620.115, 620.302(c), 620.405, 620.410(c), 620.420(c), and 731.166(c).

In addition to the complaint, on December 11, 2000, the parties filed a stipulation and proposal for settlement, accompanied by a motion requesting relief from the hearing requirement of Section 31(c)(1) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (1998)). Marathon proposes to pay a \$22,000 penalty.

Pursuant to Section 31(c)(2) of the Act, the complainant may file with the Board a stipulation and proposal for settlement accompanied by a request for relief from the hearing requirement. 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (1998). Unless the Board determines that a hearing is needed, the Board is required to publish notice of the stipulation and proposal for settlement and request for relief from the hearing requirement.

Accordingly, the Board directs the Clerk of the Board to cause publication of the required newspaper notice. Any person may file a written demand for hearing within 21 days of the published notice. If a hearing is requested, the Board will deny the parties' request for relief and schedule a hearing.

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 21st day of December 2000 by a vote of 7-0.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk

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