

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
April 1, 1987

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
PETITION OF THE CITY OF PERU) PCB 86-1
FOR EXCEPTION TO COMBINED)
SEWER OVERFLOW REGULATIONS)

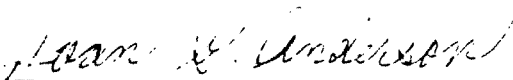
CONCURRING OPINION (by J. Anderson and J.D. Dumelle):

While we fully agree that the City of Peru should receive this CSO exception we do not agree with the ban on new sewer connections contained in paragraph No. 7 of the Order. What the majority has done here is to perhaps inhibit major commercial, industrial and residential developments in Peru.

What this sewer connection ban does is to prevent new sanitary sewers from being hooked onto the old combined sewer system in cases where it is not cost effective to run a long sewer main directly to the sewage treatment plant or through the combined sewer area.

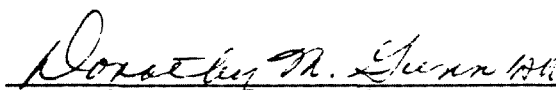
Combined sewer systems, by definition, are designed to handle large volumes of water compared to dry weather flows. Thus, the introduction of additional dry weather flow, unless extremely large, should cause no problem at all in dry weather and little additional discharge during rains.

There is nothing in this record to indicate what special concerns exist to justify this ban. The Agency has singled out the Peru petition as the best of all the single petitioners. The ban was not requested by the Agency and should not have been enacted by the majority.


Joan G. Anderson
Board Member


Jacob D. Dumelle, P.E.
Chairman

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above Concurring Opinion was filed on the 6th day of April 1987.


Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board