

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
May 5, 1988

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
JOINT PETITION OF THE CITY OF MORTON)
AND THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL) PCB 85-212
PROTECTION AGENCY FOR EXCEPTION TO THE)
COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW REGULATIONS)

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

By Order of May 9, 1986 the Board granted the City of Morton ("Morton") an exception to 35 Ill. Adm. 306.305(b) pertaining to combined sewer overflows ("CSO"). Grant of the exception was subject to certain conditions, as specified in the May 9, 1986 Order.

On April 11, 1988 Morton filed a Motion to Modify one of the conditions of the May 9, 1988 Order. Specifically, Morton requests that the deadline identified in condition 1(a) be changed from September 30, 1988 to September 30, 1989.

On April 21, 1988 the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Agency"), the Joint Petitioner in this matter, filed a Response to Morton's motion wherein the Agency registers support for Morton's request.

Condition 1(a) specifies that Morton shall provide excess flow treatment at its Sewage Treatment Plant No. 2 for all excess flows reaching that plant. It additionally specifies that such treatment is to consist of primary treatment followed by chlorine contact, that flow measurement and sampling be undertaken, and that all facilities necessary to achieve same be in place by September 30, 1988.

In support of the requested modification Morton and the Agency note that Morton has already completed separation of sewers tributary to Plant No. 2 pursuant to condition 1(c), well ahead of the October, 1991 deadline therein. Joint Petitioners believe that the reduction in tributary CSOs has resulted in fewer bypass events at Plant No. 2 than originally anticipated. Thereto, Joint Petitioners note that only one CSO event occurred at Plant No. 2 during 1987, and that that event was related to a power outage; this contrasts to the three or four events per year, each of several days duration, which occurred prior to the improvements.

Joint Petitioners further note that if the reduced frequency of CSO events proves out, Morton might be able to down-size the facilities originally designed for compliance with condition 1(a), and thus save an estimated \$150,000. The additional time

is requested to conduct event monitoring such that the facilities may be appropriately redesigned. Both Morton and the Agency contend that there would be minimal environmental impact on the receiving stream, Prairie Creek, during the interim.

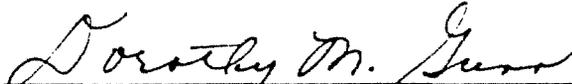
The Board grants Morton's motion to extend the completion date of condition 1(a) of the Board's Order in PCB 85-212 (May 9, 1986), by one year, to September 30, 1989, subject to the condition that all other uncompleted requirements of that Order remain in full force and effect as issued May 9, 1986.

Section 41 of the Environmental Protection Act, Ill. Rev. Stat. 1985 ch. 111 1/2 par. 1041, provides for appeal of final Orders of the Board within 35 days. The Rules of the Supreme Court of Illinois establish filing requirements.

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 54 day of May, 1988, by a vote of 7-0.



Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board