

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
June 2, 1988

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
REVISION OF THE FLUORIDE) R88-13
DRINKING WATER STANDARD:)
AMENDMENTS TO 35 ILL. ADM. CODE)
604.202 AND 604.203)

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by J. Anderson):


By Order of April 21, 1988, the Board opened this docket to consider relaxation of the fluoride drinking water standard from the Board's present maximum allowable concentration of 2.0 mg/l to 4.0 mg/l, the maximum contaminant level now contained in USEPA regulations. The Board did not publish a proposal at that time noting that public notification requirements should also be proposed. As the Board questioned whether other program modifications should also be proposed, the Board requested the assistance of the Agency in analyzing state and federal regulations to determine the full scope of the changes necessary to maintain consistency between the state's regulatory program and the federal one. The Board requested that the Agency file comments on or before May 23, as well as a status report if additional time for investigation were to be needed.

By filing of May 23, 1988, the Agency requested an additional 30 days in which to file a complete response. The Agency explained that since the docket was opened it has "preliminarily contacted" USEPA. It is the Agency's belief that in addition to the changes to Sections 604.202 - 604.203 and the public notification requirements noted in the Board's Order, that "amendments regarding sampling points and [other rules] may be required". The Agency concluded that, if at all possible, it would file comments prior to the end of any extended deadline date for response.

The Board appreciates the Agency's efforts in this matter and, under the circumstances, believes the extension requested is reasonable. The Agency's motion for extension of time through June 23, 1988 is hereby granted.

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 2nd day of June, 1988, by a vote of 7-0.



Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board