

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
September 5, 2024

IN THE MATTER OF:)	
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AMENDMENTS TO THE BOARD’S)	R25-19
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES)	(Rulemaking – Procedural)
2 ILL. ADM. CODE 2175)	

Adopted Rule. Final Notice.

OPINION AND ORDER OF THE BOARD (by B. F. Currie):

Today the Board adopts amendments to its administrative rules at Part 2175 of Title 2 of the Illinois Administrative Code. The administrative rules, last amended in 2022, describe the Board’s organization, the types of Board proceedings, how to pay filing and copying fees, and how the public may access information. The Board is amending these rules to update the provisions for open meetings to reflect recent statutory changes to the Open Meetings Act (*see* 5 ILCS 120/7(a) (2022), as amended by P.A. 103-311 (eff. July 28, 2023)). The Board also makes typographical changes suggested by the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules from prior adoptions of these rules. Under Section 5-15 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, rules adopted for these purposes are immediately effective upon filing with the Secretary of State. *See* 5 ILCS 100/5-15(b) (2022).

The Board amends the rule language to update the provisions on how a Board Member may attend meetings of the Board. The Open Meetings Act was amended to allow participation in meetings by telephone if there are unexpected childcare obligations. In Section 2175.120(d)(2), the rule allows for a Board Member to participate by phone for the reasons set forth in Section 7(a) of the Open Meetings Act. Therefore, the Board is adding “or unexpected childcare obligations” to the language of Section 2175.120(d)(2).


The Board also corrects typographical errors from prior rulemakings in Sections 2175.120, 2175.320, and 2175.535.

Order

The Board directs the Clerk of the Board to file the final rule amendments with the Secretary of State for publication in the *Illinois Register*. The final rules appear in the addendum.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Don A. Brown, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above opinion and order on September 5, 2024, by a vote of 4-0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Don A. Brown". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Don A. Brown, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board