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Dear DON BROWN

Your rules Listed below met our codification standards and have been published in Volume 49, Issue 47 of the Illinois Register, dated 11/21/2025.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

NOTICE PURSUANT TO 415 ILCS 5/7.2(b)

Section 17.5 of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) [415 ILCS 5/17.5] requires the Board to adopt regulations that are identical in substance to rules adopted by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) under Sections 1412(b), 1414(c), 1417(a), and 1445(a) of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) (42 U.S.C. §§ 300g-1(a), 300g-3(c), 300g-6(a), and 300j-4(a) (2021)).

The USEPA drinking water regulations adopted under this authority are codified as 40 C.F.R. 141 through 143. The Board is required to adopt these rules using the “identical in substance” rulemaking procedure of Section 7.2 of the Act [415 ILCS 5/7.2].

Section 7.2(a) of the Act requires the Board to complete its identical-in-substance rulemaking actions within one year after the date of the USEPA action on which they are based. Section 7.2(b) allows the Board to extend the deadline for adoption by publication of a notice of reason for delay in the *Illinois Register*.

On October 2, 2025, the Pollution Control Board adopted an order in consolidated docket R25-1/R25-9 that stated reasons for delay and extended the deadline for the Board completing action on rules adopted by USEPA in 2024. A segment of that opinion and order set forth reasons for delay in the update to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 611 and stated as follows:

EXTENSION OF DUE DATE AND REASONS FOR DELAY

The Board finds it necessary to set forth the reasons for delay and again extend the due date for final Board adoption of amendments.

Under Section 7.2(b) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/7.2(b) (2024)), the Board must complete this rulemaking within one year after the corresponding federal action. Based on the date USEPA approved lead and copper rule improvements the Board’s deadline to adopt final rules in this consolidated docket was October 30, 2025.

The Board encountered unanticipated delay in developing this proposal for public comment because of the volume and complexity of the USEPA amendments. The Board now anticipates adopting these proposed amendments no later than January 30, 2026. Therefore, the Board extends the deadline until that date.

The Board plans to complete the amendments in consolidated docket R25-1/R25-9 on the following schedule:

Board order proposing amendments:

October 2, 2025

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Submission for <i>Illinois Register</i> publication:	October 10, 2025
Estimated <i>Illinois Register</i> publication:	October 24, 2025
Estimated End of 45-day public comment period:	December 8, 2025
Board order adopting amendments:	December 18, 2025
Estimated filing date:	December 19, 2025
Estimated <i>Illinois Register</i> publication:	January 2, 2026