ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD May 1, 1997

IN MATTER OF:)
)
PETITION OF GRANITE CITY STEEL)
FOR AN ADJUSTED STANDARD FROM)
35 ILL. ADM. CODE 302.212 AND)
302.213, WATER QUALITY STANDARDS)
RELATING TO AMMONIA)

AS 97-6 (Adjusted Standard - Water)

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

On January 16, 1997 the National Steel Corporation Granite City Division (GCD) filed a petition for an adjusted standard from the Board's water quality standard relating to ammonia. On January 23, 1997 the Board found the petition deficient and ordered GCD to file an amended petition curing the deficiencies within 45 days, or the petition would be subject to dismissal. On March 6, 1997, at the request of GCD, the Board stayed its order until May 5, 1997.

Currently before the Board is an April 23, 1997 GCD motion for continuance of temporary stay. According to GCD, it is carrying on discussions with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. If GCD's waters are designated as Effluent Modified Waters GCD would be subject to less stringent ammonia limitations with which it may be able to comply. These negotiations may therefore result in the withdrawal of the adjusted standard petition. Consequently GCD requests an additional 60-day stay of the Board's January 23, 1997 order. On April 29, 1997 GCD filed a letter with the Board stating that the Agency has consented to GCD's request for temporary stay. The Board hereby grants GCD's requested stay until July 7, 1997. If GCD does not file an amended petition by July 7, 1997, the petition for adjusted standard filed on January 16th will be subject to dismissal. The Board notes that it will entertain the request for public hearing when and if GCD files a sufficient amended petition and publishes the requisite notice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Board Member Kathleen M. Hennessey abstained.

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 1^{st} day of May, 1997, by a vote of 6-0.

Dorothy M. Sun

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board