ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD July 10, 1997

IN THE 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 standards related 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 and May 1, 1997, at the request of GCD, the Board stayed its order until July 7, 1997.

Currently before the Board is a July 3, 1997 GCD motion for continuance of temporary stay and July 7, 1997 supplement to motion for continuance. GCD observes that it received a copy of the Draft Renewal Permit which includes a thirty-day public comment period that extends from July 6, 1997 through August 5, 1997. As a result GCD requests a stay in this matter for an additional 60 days to allow it and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency) additional time to resolve the ammonia issue.

On July 9, 1997 the Agency filed its response and stated that it does not object to granting the continued stay. In fact the Agency agrees with GCD that the issuance of the final permit will resolve the issues in the instant matter, likely resulting in the withdrawal of the adjusted standard request.

The Board hereby grants GCD's requested stay until September 8, 1997. If GCD does not file an amended petition by September 8, 1997, the petition for adjusted standard filed on January 16, 1997 will be subject to dismissal.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Board Member K.M. Hennessey abstained.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above order was adopted on the 10th day of July 1997, by a vote of 5-0.

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Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board