ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD May 9, 1974

R. R. DONNELLEY & SONS COMPANY,	i
Petitioner,	\
vs.	PCB 74-113
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,	
Respondent.)	

Mr. Thomas M. McMahon, Attorney, on behalf of Petitioner; Mr. Peter E. Orlinsky, Attorney, on behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency.

OPINION AND ORDER OF THE BOARD (by Mr. Seaman):

The Petitioner's, R. R. Donnelley & Sons Company, Motion for Extension of Variance was filed with the Agency on March 26, 1974.

The Petitioner operates three commercial printing plants in Chicago. The plants use rotogravure and heatset presses.

On May 10, 1973, the Pollution Control Board granted Petitioner a one-year variance from Rule 103(b)(6)(E) and 205(f) of the Air Pollution Control Regulations in order to allow Petitioner time to replace and modify afterburners associated with the heatset presses. In its Order, the Board stated:

"This variance is in contemplation of a further variance...indicating completion and compliance by July 30, 1974. The Company may petition for such further variance upon a showing of satisfactory progress in pursuance of said schedule." PCB 72-410 (May 10, 1973)

Petitioner is now seeking to have its original variance extended until July 30, 1974 with respect to those of its heatset presses which will not be in compliance with Rule 205(f) by May 10, 1974. Petitioner is also seeking a variance from Rule 104.

The Environmental Protection Agency's surveillance personnel visited Petitioner's facilities on April 2, 1974 in order to ascertain the current degree of compliance with Rule 205(f). The following observations were made:

- a. Of the 27 heatset presses which were the subject of the original variance, 23 are now in compliance with Rule 205(f). Compliance was achieved by installation of catalytic afterburners.
- b. Pre-wiring and pre-piping on afterburners #Y-116 and #Y-120 is in progress. The two afterburners are expected to be fully operational by May 10, 1974.
- c. Ductwork and installation of afterburners #D-30 and #Y-121 is in process. The two afterburners are expected to be fully operational by July 30, 1974.

The afterburners which are currently in operation have reduced emissions of photochemically-reactive hydrocarbons from each press to within the limits of Rule 205(f).

The Agency has received no complaints from persons living or working in the vicinity of Petitioner's facilities regarding emissions from the plants or extension of the variance.

Considering the degree of compliance already achieved by Petitioner, the Agency feels that denial of the limited variance now sought by Petitioner would impose an arbitrary and unreasonable hardship.

This Opinion constitutes the findings of fact and conclusions of law of the Board.

IT IS THE ORDER of the Pollution Control Board:

- 1. That Petitioner be granted a variance from Rules 103(b)(6)(E), 104, and 205(f) from May 10, 1974, until July 30, 1974 with respect to press #D-30 and press #Y-21; subject to the following conditions:
 - a. Petitioner shall continue to submit monthly progress reports to the Agency describing the status of construction and installation of the afterburners.
 - b. Petitioner shall notify the Agency on the date all afterburners are fully operational.

I, Christan L. Moffett, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the above Opinion and Order was adopted on this day of _______, 1974 by a vote of ______.

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