

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

June 19, 2003

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
PETITION OF CROMWELL-PHOENIX,) AS 03-5
INC. FOR AN ADJUSTED STANDARD) (Adjusted Standard - Air)
FROM 35 ILL. ADM. CODE 218.204(C))

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by N.J. Melas):

On May 29, 2003, petitioner Cromwell-Phoenix, Inc. (Cromwell) filed a petition for an adjusted standard from 35 Ill. Adm. Code 218.204(c), also known as the paper coating rule, as that Board regulation pertains to volatile organic material (VOM) emissions from Cromwell's corrosion inhibiting (CI) packaging materials production facility in Alsip, Cook County.

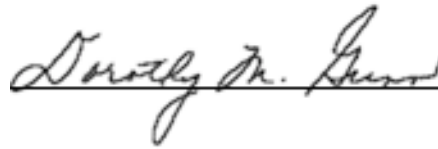
Cromwell manufactures CI packaging material at the Alsip production facility. Part of the manufacturing process involves applying CI solutions containing VOM components to paper substrates. Cromwell states the VOM emissions from CI solutions are very low by design (less than 5% of VOM applied) because the VOM components of the CI coating solution are intended to remain in and be an integral part of the final product. Cromwell's VOM emissions are subject to the paper coating rule that requires paper coaters to use coating materials with a maximum of 2.3 pounds (lbs.) of VOM per gallon of coating. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 218.204(c). Alternatively, Section 218.207 allows paper coaters to use "add-on" control devices so long as the devices reduce 81% of the overall VOM emissions and have 90% efficiency. Cromwell contends that compliance with the generally applicable VOM limits is not technically feasible or economically reasonable. Accordingly, Cromwell seeks an adjusted standard from Section 218.204(c) so that it may use CI solutions with a maximum of 8.3 lbs. of VOM per gallon of coating in its web fed and sheet fed coating and printing lines.

Pursuant to Section 28.1 of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) and Section 104.408 of the Board regulations, petitioner caused timely publication of the required notice on May 31, 2003, in the *Chicago Tribune*. 415 ILCS 5/28.1(d)(1); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 104.408. Petitioner then timely filed a certificate of publication with the Board on June 10, 2003. See 35 Ill. Adm. Code 104.408 and 104.410.

The Board finds that the notice meets the requirements of Section 28.1 of the Act and Section 104.408 of the Board rules. The Board also finds the petition meets the petition content requirements of Section 104.406 of the Board rules, and accepts this matter for hearing. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 104.406. A hearing is to be scheduled and completed in a timely manner. The assigned hearing officer must inform the Clerk of the Board of the time and location of the hearing at least 40 days in advance of hearing so that a 30-day public notice of hearing may be published.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on June 19, 2003, by a vote of 6-0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dorothy M. Gunn", written over a horizontal line.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board