

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

October 16, 2003

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	PCB 04-28
	)	(Enforcement - Air)
VILLAGE OF RANTOUL, an Illinois	)	
municipal corporation,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

OPINION AND ORDER OF THE BOARD (by T.E. Johnson):

On September 3, 2003, the Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois (People), filed a complaint against the Village of Rantoul. *See* 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.204. At issue is the People's allegation that the Village of Rantoul violated Sections 9(a) and 9.1(d) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/9(a) and 9.1(d) (2002)) and 40 C.F.R. §§ 61.145 and 61.150. The People further allege that the Village of Rantoul violated these provisions by demolition of a building by open burning, in violation of federal national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAPs), by failing to transport asbestos-containing debris to a disposal site as soon as practical following demolition of the building, and by causing, threatening, or allowing the discharge of contaminants so as to cause or tend to cause air pollution. The complaint concerns the Village of Rantoul's activities at a leased facility at the former Chanute Air Force Base at 306 Tuskegee Avenue, Rantoul, Champaign County.

On September 3, 2003, the People and the Village of Rantoul also filed a stipulation and proposed settlement, accompanied by a request for relief from the hearing requirement of Section 31(c)(1) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (2002)). This filing is authorized by Section 31(c)(2) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2002)). *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(a). The Board provided notice of the stipulation, proposed settlement, and request for relief from hearing. The Board published newspaper notice in the Rantoul Press on September 17, 2003. The Board did not receive any requests for hearing. The Board grants the parties' request for relief from the hearing requirement. *See* 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(b).

Section 103.302 of the Board's procedural rules sets forth the required contents of stipulations and proposed settlements. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.302. These requirements include stipulating to facts on the nature, extent, and causes of the alleged violations and the nature of the Village of Rantoul's operations. Section 103.302 also requires that the parties stipulate to facts called for by Section 33(c) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/33(c) (2002)). The People and the Village of Rantoul have satisfied Section 103.302. The Village of Rantoul admits the alleged violations and agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$4,446, the economic benefit from its non-compliance (Stip. p. 6). The Board accepts the stipulation and proposed settlement.

This opinion constitutes the Board's findings of fact and conclusions of law.

### **ORDER**

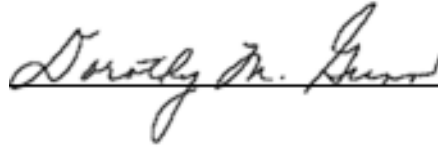
1. The Board accepts and incorporates by reference the stipulation and proposed settlement.
2. The Village of Rantoul must pay a civil penalty of \$4,446 no later than November 15, 2003, which is the 30th day after the date of this order. The Village of Rantoul must pay the civil penalty by certified check or money order, payable to the Illinois Environmental Protection Trust Fund. The case number, case name, and the Village of Rantoul's social security number or federal employer identification number must be included on the certified check or money order.
3. The Village of Rantoul must send the certified check or money order to:
 

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
Fiscal Services Division  
1021 North Grand Avenue East  
P.O. Box 19276  
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
4. Penalties unpaid within the time prescribed will accrue interest under Section 42(g) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/42(g) (2002)) at the rate set forth in Section 1003(a) of the Illinois Income Tax Act (35 ILCS 5/1003(a) (2002)).
5. The Village of Rantoul must cease and desist from the alleged violations.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Section 41(a) of the Environmental Protection Act provides that final Board orders may be appealed directly to the Illinois Appellate Court within 35 days after the Board serves the order. 415 ILCS 5/41(a) (2002); *see also* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(d)(2), 101.906, 102.706. Illinois Supreme Court Rule 335 establishes filing requirements that apply when the Illinois Appellate Court, by statute, directly reviews administrative orders. 172 Ill. 2d R. 335. The Board's procedural rules provide that motions for the Board to reconsider or modify its final orders may be filed with the Board within 35 days after the order is received. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.520; *see also* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.902, 102.700, 102.702.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above opinion and order on October 16, 2003, by a vote of 7-0.

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

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk  
Illinois Pollution Control Board