ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD December 18, 2003

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)	
Complainant,)	
v.)	PCB 02-1 (Enforcement - Air)
STEIN STEEL MILL SERVICES, INC.,)	
Respondent.)	

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

On July 2, 2003, the Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois (People), filed a complaint against Stein Steel Mill Services, Inc. (Stein Steel Mill Services). *See* 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.204. The People allege that Stein Steel Mill Services violated Section 9(a) and (b) of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/9(a) and (b) (2002)); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 201.141, 212.309(a), and 212.316(g)(4); and special condition 8(b) of operating permit 96090078. The People further allege that Stein Steel Mill Services violated these provisions by causing or allowing air pollution and permit violations. The complaint concerns Stein Steel Mill Services' slag crushing and screening facility at 2201 Edwardsville Road, Granite City, Madison County.

On December 2, 2003, the People and Stein Steel Mill Services 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). Under the proposed stipulation, the Stein Steel Mill Services neither admits nor denies the alleged violations and agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$15,000.

Unless the Board determines that a hearing is needed, the Board must cause notice of the stipulation, proposed settlement, and request for relief from the hearing requirement. Any person may file a written demand for hearing within 21 days after receiving the notice. If anyone timely files a written demand for hearing, the Board will deny the parties' request for relief and hold a hearing. 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(b), (c). The Board directs the Clerk of the Board to provide the required notice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on December 18, 2003, by a vote of 5-0.

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk

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