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         BEFORE THE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
           OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
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  IN THE MATTER OF:
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  NONHAZARDOUS SPECIAL WASTE
                                          ) R98-29
4 HAULING AND THE UNIFORM PROGRAM ) (Rulemaking-Land)
  35 ILL. ADM. CODE 809
5 (PURSUANT TO P.A. 90-218)
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     The following is the transcript of a hearing
9 held in the above-entitled matter, taken
10 stenographically by GEANNA M. IAQUINTA, CSR, a
11 notary public within and for the County of Cook and
12 State of Illinois, before John C. Knittle, Hearing
13 Officer, 100 West Randolph Street, Chicago,
14 Illinois, on the 31st day of July, 1998, A.D.,
15 commencing at 10:00 o'clock a.m.
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1 APPEARANCES:

# 2 **HEARING TAKEN BEFORE:** ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD, 100 West Randolph Street 4 Suite 11-500 Chicago, Illinois 60601 5 (312) 814-6923 BY: MR. JOHN C. KNITTLE 6 7 ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: 8 Mr. Joseph Yi 9 Mr. Anand Rao 10 Mr. Joel Sternstein 11 ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY MEMBERS 12 PRESENT: 13 Ms. Kimberly Robinson 14 Mr. Edwin Bakowski 15 Mr. David Walters 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

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- 1 THE HEARING OFFICER: Good morning. My name is
- 2 John Knittle. I have been appointed by the Board to
- 3 serve as hearing officer in this proceeding which is
- 4 entitled, In The Matter Of, Nonhazardous Special
- 5 Waste Hauling and the Uniform Program, 35 Illinois
- 6 Administrative Code 809.
- 7 With me today is Joseph Yi, the Board member
- 8 assigned to this matter. Also present is Anand Rao,
- 9 the Board's technical expert. Nobody else is
- 10 present here today from the Board or from the
- 11 public. This is the second hearing in this
- 12 proceeding which was filed on May 8th, 1998, by the
- 13 Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.
- On May 21st, 1998, the Board accepted Parts
- 15 729.808, 809, and 811 of the proposal for hearing.
- 16 As I said, we had a hearing on July 21st, 1998, and
- 17 the transcript to that hearing along with the
- 18 exhibit, which is entered, are out in front for
- 19 anyone who needs one.
- 20 Also up front are sign-up sheets for notice and a
- 21 service list. Please sign up if you wish to be
- 22 included on either list. Everyone here is on both
- 23 lists. So I'm not going to explain what they mean.
- 24 As I stated before, we received prefiled

- 1 testimony from the Agency in this matter which was
- 2 entered into the record as Exhibit No. 1 at the
- 3 first hearing. Copies are present for anyone who
- 4 needs it.
- 5 I'm not going to have the two witnesses read
- 6 their testimony again, especially as there is nobody
- 7 present to hear it who hasn't heard it before, but
- 8 if Anand would like a summary or if anybody shows up
- 9 who would like a summary, perhaps you guys would
- 10 summarize the testimony for us.
- 11 That's pretty much all I have initially. Mr. Yi,
- 12 is there anything you wish to say?
- 13 MR. YI: On behalf of the Board, I welcome you
- 14 to this public hearing and to the city of Chicago
- 15 this morning. I am looking forward to a continued
- 16 fair and efficient hearing -- rulemaking.
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank you, Mr. Yi.
- 18 Kim, if you'd like to give an opening statement for
- 19 the record, you'd be more than welcome to.
- 20 MS. ROBINSON: I'm not going to go ahead and
- 21 give an opening statement since there's nobody here
- 22 from the public, but I would like to ask you if you
- 23 want to reswear the witnesses or continue as if
- 24 they're already sworn?

- 1 THE HEARING OFFICER: We're going to reswear
- 2 them again --
- 3 MS. ROBINSON: Okay.
- 4 THE HEARING OFFICER: -- if that's okay with
- 5 you two witnesses. Can you swear the witnesses,
- 6 please?
- 7 (Witnesses sworn.)
- 8 WHEREUPON:
- 9 EDWIN C. BAKOWSKI,
- 10 DAVID WALTERS,
- 11 called as a witnesses herein, having been first
- 12 duly sworn, testified and saith as follows:
- 13 THE HEARING OFFICER: Well, the witnesses are
- 14 now available for questions, Mr. Rao.
- MR. RAO: Do you want me to start?
- 16 MS. ROBINSON: May I add one more thing? Just
- 17 for the record, there is a copy -- one copy of the
- 18 proposal from the Agency and several copies of the
- 19 testimony if anybody happens to show up. I have one
- 20 extra copy here of the proposal as well.
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: And for the record, we
- 22 have received one public comment in this matter from
- 23 Cynthia Hilton, and I have copies of that available
- 24 if anyone would like a copy.

- 1 So that being said, do you have anything else,
- 2 Kim, before we ask some questions?
- 3 MS. ROBINSON: I have nothing further.
- 4 MR. RAO: I'm going to start. I have a few
- 5 questions for Mr. Bakowski concerning his
- 6 testimony. Basically, my questions are directed to
- 7 the proposed amendment to Section 809.402(b). As
- 8 proposed now, you know, the change would exempt used
- 9 oil handling facilities from obtaining an operating
- 10 permit, and I realize that the Agency is proposing
- 11 this change to cure some inconsistencies in the
- 12 Board regulations under part 807, but I'd still like
- 13 to, you know, get some clarifications as to the
- 14 implications of this change.
- 15 Specifically, I'd like the Agency to clarify
- 16 whether used oil management facilities, which are
- 17 regulated under Part 739, are they required to have
- 18 any kind of permits under Part 739?
- 19 MR. BAKOWSKI: Okay. I guess in looking at
- 20 402(b) it's not that we're proposing to exempt them
- 21 from getting a permit, it's just proposing to exempt
- 22 that if they -- exempt them from the requirement of
- 23 having -- of having a permit to receive that type of
- 24 waste.

- 1 The current rule requires them to have a permit
- 2 to receive it, and this would exempt them from that
- 3 requirement to have a permit to receive it because
- 4 809 is not a permitting requirement, it's the
- 5 transportation requirement, and as I said in my
- 6 testimony, it's the current understanding of the
- 7 Agency that based on the language in 807 that
- 8 currently facilities regulated under 739 are exempt
- 9 from having permits.
- 10 MR. RAO: So --
- MR. BAKOWSKI: But the exemption is in 807, not
- 12 in 809.
- MR. RAO: Let me understand what you're
- 14 saying. Are you saying that now the amendment you
- 15 have proposed under 809.402(b) that says except any
- 16 person who is operating as a used oil aggregate end
- 17 point, used oil burner, used oil collection center,
- 18 used oil marketer, used oil processor, or used oil
- 19 concert facility as defined by 739 need not have a
- 20 permit pursuant to 807?
- 21 MR. BAKOWSKI: No, because at the beginning of
- 22 (b) it says no person may deliver a special waste in
- 23 Illinois unless the person who accepts the waste has
- 24 a permit.

- 1 MR. RAO: Yeah.
- 2 MR. BAKOWSKI: And what we're -- and what we're
- 3 doing in this edition is making this consistent with
- 4 807 which says that they don't need a permit. So
- 5 we're saying that if they don't need a permit, but
- 6 they're operating in accordance with 739 they may
- 7 accept this special waste without a permit because
- 8 809 says you can't accept special waste unless you
- 9 have a permit, and if 807 doesn't require them to
- 10 get a permit, but 809 says you can't receive special
- 11 waste without a permit, there's a conflict.
- MR. RAO: Yeah. I realize that there's a
- 13 conflict. Now, what I was saying -- asking was
- 14 essentially what you mean is if a facility is just
- 15 accepting used oil --
- 16 MR. BAKOWSKI: Correct.
- 17 MR. RAO: -- as defined in 739, they don't have
- 18 to have a permit pursuant to 807?
- MR. BAKOWSKI: 807 exempts them from the permit
- 20 requirements is our current understanding.
- 21 MR. RAO: Yeah. So my question was are there
- 22 any permitting requirements under 739?
- 23 MR. BAKOWSKI: There are no permitting
- 24 requirements under 739. They just have a

- 1 registration requirement.
- 2 MR. RAO: That was my question.
- 3 If there are no permit requirements, you know,
- 4 what kind of oversight does the Agency have when
- 5 regulating these facilities under 739?
- 6 MR. BAKOWSKI: What kind of oversight --
- 7 MR. RAO: What kind of oversight does the
- 8 Agency have on these facilities --
- 9 MR. BAKOWSKI: Oh, the current --
- 10 MR. RAO: -- under 739?
- 11 MR. BAKOWSKI: I would say that under current
- 12 staffing levels, facilities that have permits are
- 13 routinely scheduled for inspections. Facilities
- 14 that are exempt from permits are either randomly
- 15 inspected or inspected due to complaints.
- MR. RAO: So the Agency will not go on its own
- 17 and inspect these facilities if there are no
- 18 complaints from anybody?
- 19 MR. BAKOWSKI: Generally speaking, there may be
- 20 a random inspection once in a while. They say we
- 21 ought to go look at one of these to see how they're
- 22 doing or if there's a problem at a facility we go,
- 23 but I don't think they would be routinely scheduled
- 24 for inspections.

- 1 MR. RAO: In proposing this change under
- 2 809.402, did the Agency consider the alternative of
- 3 proposing an amendment to 807.105 to require these
- 4 facilities to have permits?
- 5 MR. BAKOWSKI: In proposing this change, I
- 6 wasn't personally involved in the rulemaking that
- 7 adopted that, and I'm not aware of the Agency's
- 8 position at that time, but I think we just accepted
- 9 that that's the current reading of the rule, and we
- 10 just thought that addressing the manifesting problem
- 11 was our intent in this rule. We didn't really
- 12 consider that in those discussions.
- 13 MR. RAO: From a policy perspective, you know,
- 14 does the Agency believe that used oil management
- 15 facilities should be subject to state permit
- 16 requirements that are applicable to other special
- 17 waste facilities?
- MR. BAKOWSKI: I guess since that wasn't
- 19 considered in discussing how my testimony would go
- 20 together, I think that would be a question I think
- 21 we need to go back and deliberate at the Agency and
- 22 come back and address that in comments.
- 23 MR. RAO: Would it be possible for you to do
- 24 that in the comments?

- 1 MR. BAKOWSKI: I think we can.
- 2 MR. RAO: That's all I have on this issue, and
- 3 I have a couple of minor clarification questions
- 4 about the rule itself unless you have --
- 5 THE HEARING OFFICER: I just have a question,
- 6 and you'll have to forgive me because I'm not an
- 7 extremely technical person and may be confused here,
- 8 but there's going to be no permitting for facilities
- 9 receiving used oil, right? There's not going to be
- 10 a permitting program even though the Agency may at
- 11 times do a random inspection or if there's a
- 12 complaint?
- 13 MR. BAKOWSKI: Right. Under 739, there's
- 14 certain management standards they have to meet, and
- 15 there's certain registration requirements that they
- 16 have, but there's no formal necessary approval of
- 17 that process. It's more of a case of either random
- 18 inspection or due to an incident we would go out and
- 19 inspect and then we'd see if they're complying with
- 20 those management standards.
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: But after this proposed
- 22 regulation, if it goes through, there will not be a
- 23 permit required to receive used oil?
- 24 MR. BAKOWSKI: Right.

- 1 THE HEARING OFFICER: Because I think that's
- 2 kind of what we wanted you to address and see if --
- 3 MR. BAKOWSKI: Yeah. His question was does the
- 4 Agency really --
- 5 THE HEARING OFFICER: They want that --
- 6 MR. BAKOWSKI: Is that our position because --
- 7 THE HEARING OFFICER: Right, and then if it's
- 8 not, if it was something we could remedy later, we'd
- 9 like to know if you have any ideas on that or
- 10 whether or not you would propose something for us to
- 11 add in the rule to take care of that or at least to
- 12 consider that.
- 13 MR. RAO: Yeah.
- 14 MS. ROBINSON: This is something we're going to
- 15 have to address --
- 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: Right. No, I
- 17 understand. I just want to -- I was confused.
- MR. RAO: Okay. Under Section 809.202 and 203
- 19 we deal with, you know, filing of application for a
- 20 uniform permit and uniform registration. There are
- 21 a couple of provisions where the Agency is required
- 22 to notify the transporter of, you know, whether the
- 23 applications are complete, and I think it also has
- 24 requirements about how the Agency is going to notify

- 1 them about approval of their applications, and in
- 2 the proposal, the Agency has not specified any time
- 3 frames as to, you know, the turnaround time for the
- 4 Agency's position.
- 5 I wanted to know if the Agency has any specific
- 6 time frame in mind that would work for you because
- 7 right now it's open-ended. You know, they file the
- 8 application and then the Agency can act on it.
- 9 MR. WALTERS: The uniform program, the program
- 10 administrators manual laid out by the uniform -- the
- 11 alliance that developed this program does set out
- 12 time frames for us to respond.
- 13 MR. RAO: Would it be possible for you to put
- 14 those time frames in the rule, or is there any
- 15 particular reason for not doing so?
- MR. WALTERS: Certainly we can add those time
- 17 frames. We didn't do it because it would have added
- 18 to the bulk of the rules. It would have made them
- 19 much, much larger, but we can certainly add that if
- 20 you'd like.
- 21 MR. RAO: Okay. That's all I have.
- 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: That's all the questions
- 23 that the Board has at this point in time. Do you
- 24 have any other items in which to address at this

- 1 moment? I'm going to want to, you know, recess for
- 2 about 20, 30 minutes just to make sure no one comes
- 3 in.
- 4 MS. ROBINSON: I'd like to ask for the time
- 5 frames, would it be acceptable to do that in an
- 6 errata sheet? Is that how you would like to see
- 7 that happen?
- 8 MR. RAO: Yeah.
- 9 MS. ROBINSON: I think what we were trying to
- 10 express here is that the program administrators
- 11 manual sets out so many details that we didn't know
- 12 where to draw the line on adding things in because
- 13 it could have tripled the size of the rules. So we
- 14 just incorporated it by reference, but time frames
- 15 are really quite easy to add in. So I can do that
- 16 through an errata sheet if you'd like.
- 17 THE HEARING OFFICER: That would be perfectly
- 18 acceptable.
- 19 Well, then I'm going to --
- 20 MS. ROBINSON: I'm sorry.
- 21 THE HEARING OFFICER: No, no.
- 22 MS. ROBINSON: Go ahead.
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: I'm just going to recess
- 24 this for about 20 minutes. We'll stay convened.

- 1 It's now 10:18 according to my watch. We'll meet
- 2 again at 10:45 and see if anyone decides from the
- 3 public to attend this hearing. So I guess we stand
- 4 in recess.
- 5 (Break taken.)
- 6 THE HEARING OFFICER: We are back on the
- 7 record. It's 10:45 a.m. Nobody from the public has
- 8 attended, but somebody from the Board has attended
- 9 the hearing. Will you identify yourself for the
- 10 record, please?
- 11 MR. STERNSTEIN: My name is Joel Sternstein,
- 12 S-t-e-r-n-s-t-e-i-n, and I'm an attorney with the
- 13 Pollution Control Board.
- 14 THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank you very much,
- 15 Mr. Sternstein.
- 16 Other than that, nobody has seen fit to attend
- 17 the hearing today. So we have no further
- 18 substantive matters.
- 19 Does the Agency have anything they wish to speak
- 20 to at this point in time?
- MS. ROBINSON: We have nothing further. We
- 22 tried to contact the Agency to discuss the issue
- 23 that we stated we would address in comments. We
- 24 were unable to contact anybody. So we will need to

- 1 address that in final comments.
- 2 THE HEARING OFFICER: All that remains then is
- 3 I want to talk about the EcIS hearing again. You
- 4 know, I talked to you last time. We still haven't
- 5 had an EcIS hearing in this matter as required -- as
- 6 is required by law. We're still trying to formalize
- 7 procedures here at the Board in the new fiscal year
- 8 on how to proceed with EcIS hearings, and when we
- 9 do, we will set one up. We discussed this last
- 10 time, and I will, of course, inform all interested
- 11 parties as to when that hearing will be.
- 12 No further hearings are scheduled except the EcIS
- 13 hearing, which will be scheduled later. There's
- 14 going to be a transcript in this matter in the near
- 15 future, which I'm sure if you'd like a copy you can
- 16 talk to the court reporter directly or you can
- 17 contact me or the clerk's office here in Chicago and
- 18 get one for free. Public comments in this matter is
- 19 something we should talk about.
- 20 Can we go off for just a second?
- 21 (Discussion had
- off the record.)
- 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: Pursuant to a discussion
- 24 off the record, public comments in this matter must

- 1 be filed by September 1st, 1998, which is a2 Tuesday.
- 3 The mailbox rule will apply, and anyone may file
- 4 public comments with the clerk of the Board.
- 5 If you're on the service list, of course, your
- 6 comments must be simultaneously delivered to all
- 7 persons on the service list, as you know.
- 8 Contact the clerk's office before you file them
- 9 just to make sure that nobody else has been added to
- 10 the service list if you would.
- 11 Please note that there will be additional time to
- 12 file public comments which will commence on the date
- 13 the first notice appears in the Illinois Register.
- 14 You'll have 45 days from publication of the
- 15 register. That's all I have.
- 16 Is there anyone present who would like to testify
- 17 here today?
- 18 Seeing nobody, this concludes today's hearing.
- 19 Thank you all very much for attending, and the
- 20 hearing is closed.
- 21 (Whereupon, these were all the
- 22 proceedings had in the
- 23 above-entitled matter.)

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