ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD December 16, 1993

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)
Complainant,)
v.	PCB 92-84 (Enforcement)
BERKSHIRE FURNITURE COMPANY, INC., d/b/a FASHION BED GROUP,)
and formerly known as ALLEGHENY STEEL AND BRASS CORP.,	
a Delaware Corporation,	
Respondent.	'

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by C. A. Manning):

The original complaint in this matter was filed June 2, 1992. Following a series of continuances to allow pursuit of settlement negotiations, on December 14, 1993 the parties filed an amended complaint and stipulation and proposal for settlement. On the same day, the parties filed a request for relief from the otherwise applicable requirement of Section 31(a)(1) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(a)(1)) that proposed stipulated settlements be presented at public hearing. Section 31(a)(2) (415 ILCS 5/31(a)(2)) provides in pertinent part as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection (a), whenever a complaint has been filed on behalf of the Agency or by the People of the State of Illinois, the parties may file with the Board a stipulation and proposal for settlement accompanied by a request for relief from the requirement of a hearing pursuant to subdivision (1). Unless the Board, in its discretion, concludes that a hearing will be held, the Board shall cause notice of the stipulation, proposal and request for relief to be published and sent in the same manner as is required for hearing pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection. The notice shall include a statement that any person may file a written demand for hearing within 21 days after receiving the notice. If any person files a timely written demand for hearing, the Board shall deny the request for relief from a hearing and shall hold a hearing in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (1).

The Board accordingly directs the Clerk to cause publication of the required newspaper notice. The Board will reserve ruling

on the parties' request until after the statutory 21 days has passed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Board, do hereb	y certify that the	above order was	adopted on the
164 day of	Derenier	, 19	93, by a vote of
7-0.			

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board