

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
August 11, 1994

PEOPLE OF THE STATE)	
OF ILLINOIS,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	PCB 94-41
)	(Enforcement)
)	
BOB EVANS FARMS, INC.,)	
an Ohio Corporation,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

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

This matter comes before the Board upon a three-count complaint filed January 19, 1994, by Roland W. Burris, Attorney General of the State of Illinois, on behalf of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the People of the State of Illinois, against Bob Evans Farms, Inc. (BEF), an Ohio Corporation located in the City of Galva, Henry County, Illinois. The complaint alleges that BEF has violated Sections 12(a) and 12(b) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (Act), 415 ILCS 5/12(a), 5/12(b) and 35 Ill. Adm. Code §§ 309.202(c), 309.203(a) and 312.101 for operating and constructing a wastewater source without the proper permits and violation of certified operator requirements.

Pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/31(a)(2), the parties filed a joint Motion requesting relief from the Act's hearing requirement on June 24, 1994. The Board published a Notice of the waiver on June 29, 1994; no objection to grant of the waiver was received. Waiver of hearing is hereby granted.

The parties filed a Stipulation and Settlement Agreement on June 24, 1994. The Stipulation sets forth facts relating to the nature, operations and circumstances surrounding the claimed violations. BEF admits the alleged violations and agrees to pay a civil penalty of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00).

The Board finds the settlement agreement acceptable under 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.180. This settlement agreement in no way affects respondent's responsibility to comply with any federal, state or local regulations, including but not limited to the Act and the Board's pollution control regulations.

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

ORDER

- 1) The Board hereby accepts the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement executed by the People of the State of Illinois and BEF concerning its facility located in the City of Galva, Henry County, Illinois. The Stipulation and Settlement Agreement are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 2) BEF shall pay the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) within 30 days of the date of this Order. Such payment shall be made by certified check or money order payable to the Treasurer of the State of Illinois, designated to the Environmental Protection Trust Fund and shall be sent by First Class mail to:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Fiscal Services Division
2200 Churchill Road
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, IL 62794-9276

The certified check or money order shall clearly indicate on its face, BEF's Federal Employer Identification Number or Social Security Number and that payment is directed to the Environmental Protection Trust Fund.

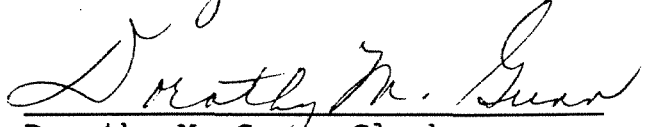
Any such penalty not paid within the time prescribed shall incur interest at the rate set forth in subsection (a) of Section 1003 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, (35 ILCS 5/1003), as now or hereafter amended, from the date payment is due until the date payment is received. Interest shall not accrue during the pendency of an appeal during which payment of the penalty has been stayed.

- 3) BEF shall cease and desist from the alleged violations.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Section 41 of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/41) provides for the appeal of final Board orders within 35 days of the date of service of this order. (See also 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.246, Motion for Reconsideration.)

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above opinion and order was adopted on the 17th day of August, 1994, by a vote of 6-0.


Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board