

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
December 16, 1993

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION)	
ELECTRO-MOTIVE DIVISION,)	
)	
Petitioner,)	
)	
v.)	PCB 91-160
)	(Variance)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)	
PROTECTION AGENCY,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

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

On September 5, 1991, General Motors Corporation Electro-Motive Division (GM) filed a petition for an air variance for its facility located in LaGrange, Illinois. The last status report (March 29, 1993), filed in response to a hearing officer order, indicates that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) is promulgating a rule applicable to GM's locomotive coating operations, and that at that time, USEPA had not yet responded to GM's comments on the proposed rule. The status report further states that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency) had not taken any final action on GM's request to reconsider rules applicable to GM's silicone rubber priming and electrical insulating varnish operations.

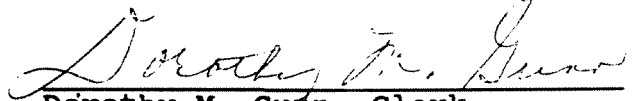
As of March 29th, GM did not believe that a hearing would be necessary due to the USEPA's reconsideration of the federal rules and the Agency's position that it would not mandate compliance with 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 218 until that process is complete. GM also indicated USEPA was expected to take final action in April of 1993.

The parties are hereby directed to file a status report with the Clerk of the Board on or before January 14, 1994. The parties should indicate the status of the USEPA action on the locomotive coating operations rule, GM's request to the Agency to reconsider the rules applicable to the silicone rubber priming and electrical insulating varnish operation, whether a hearing will be necessary and any projected timeline for completion of these matters. A copy of the status report should also be served on the assigned hearing officer in this case.

Finally, the March 29th status report further indicated that the parties were inclined to continue with their obligation of filing a statement of disputed issues up to the date of next status report. If this obligation remains appropriate, the parties may file such a statement in conjunction with the January 14, 1994 status report with the Clerk of the Board and the assigned hearing officer.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, hereby certify that the above order was adopted on the 16th day of December, 1993, by a vote of 7-0.


Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board