

## **Board to Conduct Electronic Filing Pilot Project**

Beginning May 3, 2004, the Illinois Pollution Control Board will begin a pilot project introducing electronic filing through its Clerk's Office On-Line (COOL). The pilot project is optional and would enable you to file electronic documents with the Board in the following categories of cases: adjusted standards, administrative citations, enforcement, and variance cases. If you would like to take part in this pilot project, please notify John Therriault in our Clerk's office at 312-814 3629. By offering an alternative to paper filing, the Board hopes to reduce costs while benefiting the environment by avoiding the expense and inconvenience of copying, delivering, and ultimately recycling paper filings.

In order to participate in the Board's pilot project, parties first need to obtain a State of Illinois digital signature certificate issued under the Electronic Commerce Security Act to gain access to COOL. There is no fee to obtain the certificate. These digital signatures verify the identities of document senders, which promote the integrity and security of the electronic transactions. If you need to obtain a certificate, [click here](#) to link to the subscriber agreement application.