

## **Board Finalizes Amendments to Procedural Rules**

On November 17, 2005, the Illinois Pollution Control Board adopted amendments to its procedural rules to address recent amendments to the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5/1 *et seq.* (2004)). The amendments contained in the docket entitled In the Matter of: Amendments to the Procedural Rules -- "Pollution Control Facility" Definition Under P.A. 93-0998, P.A. 94-0094, and P.A. 94-0249 (35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.202 (R06-09), reflect three recent amendments to the definition of "pollution control facility." The Board amendments are contained *only* in Section 101.202 of its procedural rules.

Specifically, Public Act 93-0998 (P.A. 93-0998, eff. Aug. 23, 2005) amends the definition of "pollution control facility" by adding a 14th exception to that definition:

the portion of a site or facility, located within a unit of local government that has enacted local zoning requirements, used to accept, separate, and process uncontaminated broken concrete, with or without protruding metal bars, provided that the uncontaminated broken concrete and metal bars are not speculatively accumulated, are at the site or facility no longer than one year after their acceptance, and are returned to the economic mainstream in the form of raw materials or products.

Public Act 94-0094 (P.A. 94-0094, eff. July 1, 2005) amends the existing exemption from that definition for "the portion of a site or facility accepting exclusively general construction or demolition debris, located in a county with a population of 700,000, and operated and located in accordance with Section 22.38 of this Act." 415 ILCS 5/3.330(a)(13) (202). P.A. 94-0094 limits that exemption to counties that had reached the population threshold of 700,000 as of January 1, 2000.

Additionally, Public Act 94-0249 (P.A. 94-0249, eff. July 19, 2005) adds a 15th exemption to that definition:

the portion of a site or facility located in a county with a population over 3,000,000 that has obtained local siting approval under Section 39.2 of this Act for a municipal waste incinerator on or before July 1, 2005 and that is used for a non-hazardous waste transfer station.

The Board amended the definition of "pollution control facility" in Section 101.202 to follow the statutory language in P.A. 93-0998, P.A. 94-0094, and P.A. 94-0249.

The Board did not receive any public comments or request for hearing.

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