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POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD DON BROWN 100 W RANDOLPH ST STE 11-500 CHICAGO, IL 60601

STATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board

## Dear DON BROWN

Your rules Listed below met our codification standards and have been published in Volume 40, Issue 2 of the Illinois Register, dated 1/8/2016.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

Section 22.4(a) of the Environmental Protection Act (Act) [415 ILCS 5/22.4(a)] requires the Board to adopt regulations that are "identical in substance" to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) hazardous waste rules adopted to implement Subtitle C of the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (RCRA Subtitle C) (42 U.S.C. §§ 6921 *et seq.* (2008)). These rules are contained in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 701 through 705, 720 through 728, 733, and 739.

Section 7.2(a) of the Act [415 ILCS 5/7.2(a)] requires the Board to complete its identical-in-substance rulemaking actions within one year after the date of the USEPA action on which they are based. Section 7.2(b) [415 ILCS 5/7.2(b)] allows the Board to extend the deadline for adoption by publication of a notice of reason for delay in the *Illinois Register*.

By an order dated December 22, 2015, the Board set forth reasons for delay and extended the deadline for final action on the amendments from January 13, 2016 to June 30, 2016. That order stated in significant part as follows:

# **EXTENSION OF DEADLINE**

The Board requires additional time to develop a proposal for public comment in this matter. The Board notes two primary reasons for an extended deadline. First, the volume and complexity of the underlying USEPA amendments was significant, taking considerable effort. The Board anticipates that the opinion and order proposing the amendments will exceed 1,000 pages in length affects numerous sections of existing Board rules. Second, USEPA submitted a number of comments on existing rules based on USEPA's periodic review for federal authorization of the Illinois RCRA Subtitle C regulations. Examining the differences between USEPA and Illinois texts and formulating responses to USEPA's observations took considerable effort.

For the foregoing reasons, the Board finds that delay was unavoidable and an extension of the one-year deadline is necessary. The Board will adhere to the following schedule:

Due date:

June 30, 2016

Date of Board vote to propose amendments:

March 3, 2016

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Submission for *Illinois Register* March 14, 2016

publication:

Probable *Illinois Register* March 25, 2016

publication date:

Probable End of 45-day public May 9, 2016

comment period:

Date of Board vote to adopt May 19, 2016

amendments:

End of 30-day hold period for June 20, 2016

USEPA review:

Probable filing and effective date: June 27, 2016

Probable *Illinois Register* July 8, 2016

publication date:

At present, the Board hopes to assemble the necessary proposal for public comment more rapidly than the times projected above—perhaps as early as January 2016. This would allow the Board to complete the rulemaking activities early as May 2016. However, to accommodate the unanticipated possibility for further delay, the Board extends the deadline for final action until June 30, 2016.

The Board hereby extends the deadline for completion of this rulemaking under Section 7.2(b) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/7.2(b) (2014)). The Board also directs staff to cause publication of a Notice of Public Information on Proposed Rules in the *Illinois Register*, based on this order, which sets forth reasons for delay and extends the due date for this proceeding.

Direct inquiries as follows, referencing consolidated docket R16-7:

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