Board Proposes First-Notice Amendments to Right-to-Know Rules

On May 30, 2019, the Board proposed non-substantive amendments to its right-to-know rules (35 Ill. Adm. Code 1600) for first-notice publication in the *Illinois Register*. The Board's existing right-to-know rules generally address soil, soil gas, and groundwater contamination threatening potable water supply wells and the response action required in handling these threats. The rules include definitions; standards for performing potable water supply well surveys; and standards for performing community relations activities. With its first-notice proposal, the Board intends only to streamline, update, and clarify these rules. The proposal includes amendments proposed by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

The Board held two hearings before proceeding to first notice. No additional hearings are scheduled at this time. The Board will accept public comments on the proposed amendments for 45 days from the date they are published in the *Illinois Register*. This rulemaking is captioned <u>Amendments to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Subtitle O: Right-to-Know</u>, docket R18-30. Here are the links to the Board's <u>opinion and order</u> and the Board's <u>addendum</u> containing the proposed amendments. For more information, please contact Natalie Winquist (312-814-6931, <u>Natalie.Winquist@Illinois.Gov</u>).