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#### SUBPART A: GENERAL RULES

##### **Section 3730.101 Scope and Purpose**

This Part governs the practices and procedures of the Director and his delegated representatives, and all allocation and enforcement proceedings conducted by them pursuant to the Level of Lake Michigan Act [615 ILCS 50].

**This Part implements the Department's program for the apportionment of water to be diverted from Lake Michigan among its regional organizations, municipalities, political subdivisions, agencies or instrumentalities for domestic purposes or for direct diversion into the Sanitary and Ship Canal to maintain such canal in a reasonably satisfactory sanitary condition. Consistent with the limitations expressed in a U.S. Supreme Court Decree [Wisconsin v. Illinois, 449 U.S. 48 (1980)], the Lake Michigan water so diverted, whether by way of pumpage for domestic purposes from the lake the sewage effluent derived from which reaches the Illinois Waterway, or by way of storm runoff from the Lake Michigan watershed which is diverted into the Sanitary and Ship Canal, or by way of direct diversion from the lake into the canal, shall not exceed a 40 year running average of 3,200 cubic feet per second.**

##### **Section 3730.102 Definitions**

As used in this Part except where the context indicates otherwise, the following terms shall have the meanings specified:

"Act" means the Level of Lake Michigan Act [615 ILCS 50].

"Annual accounting period" shall be October 1 of each calendar year through the last day in September in the succeeding calendar year;

"Department" means the Illinois Department of Natural Resources;

"Director" means the Director of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources or his duly delegated representatives;

"Emergency allocation" means a temporary allocation of Lake Michigan water in accordance with Section 3730.305;

"Emergency and standby use" means water pumped to maintain an adequate water supply in the event of a partial or total failure of the primary water supply source of a permittee;

"Gross annual pumpage" means the total amount of water delivered to a user's system;

"Hearing Officer" means a person duly designated as the hearing officer by the Director;

"Hydrant uses" means, but is not limited to, all water obtained from hydrants for uses such as fire fighting and training, water main flushing, sewer flushing, street cleaning, and unmetered public and private construction;

"Net annual pumpage" means the total amount of water delivered to a user's system not including wholesale water delivered to other water systems;

"New users" refers to any regional organization, municipality, political subdivision, agency, instrumentality, organization, association, or individual that did not have an allocation of Lake Michigan water from the Department on July 1, 1980;

"Party" means an entity:

which has made application to the Department for an allocation of the Lake Michigan diversion pursuant to the Act, or

which has been made a party by the Hearing Officer pursuant to Section 3730.203(c);

"Permittee" means any regional organization, municipality, political subdivision, agency, instrumentality, organization, association, or individual that has an allocation permit for water from the Lake Michigan diversion;

"Unaccounted-for flow" means that amount of water supplied to a system (including the components of transmission, distribution, storage, and pumping) which is lost from the system prior to delivery to the end user, ~~but not including unavoidable leakage.~~

"Unaccounted-for flow" shall include water not accounted for due to underregistration of meters and water lost due to main breaks. "Unaccounted-for flow" shall be calculated by

taking the net annual pumpage of the system and subtracting from that figure the amount of water used for residential, commercial, industrial, municipal, hydrant, and other identified uses, ~~and unavoidable leakage~~. The remainder shall be the "unaccounted-for flow." In determining the amount of water used for uses that are unmetered, estimates shall be based on acceptable engineering practices at the time of each unmetered use;

~~"Unavoidable leakage" means that amount of water lost from a well-maintained water system. In determining "unavoidable leakage," consideration shall be given to the age, size and type of pipe and joints, ground conditions surrounding the pipes, the number of service connections, the number of valves and hydrants, and system pressures. The maximum allowable "unavoidable leakage" shall be determined as follows:~~

~~For cast iron pipe with lead joints~~

~~Age of system ————— Maximum unavoidable leakage~~

~~greater than 60 years ————— 3000 gal/day/mile of main  
40 to 60 years ————— 2500 gal/day/mile of main  
20 to 40 years ————— 2000 gal/day/mile of main  
less than 20 years ————— 1500 gal/day/mile of main~~

~~For all other types of pipe and joints~~

~~Age of system ————— Maximum unavoidable leakage~~

~~greater than 60 years ————— 2500 gal/day/mile of main  
40 to 60 years ————— 2000 gal/day/mile of main  
20 to 40 years ————— 1500 gal/day/mile of main  
less than 20 years ————— 1000 gal/day/mile of main~~

(Source: Amended at 9 Ill. Reg. 386, effective January 1, 1985)

### **Section 3730.103 Filing**

Documents and requests permitted or required to be filed with the Hearing Officer shall be addressed to and mailed to or filed with the Hearing Officer at the following address:

Hearing Officer  
Lake Michigan Allocation Proceedings  
Illinois Department of Natural Resources  
One Natural Resources Way  
Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271

or with such other person as the Director may designate from time to time.

(Source: Amended at 27 Ill. Reg. 7786, effective April 21, 2003)

### **Section 3730.104 Form of Documents**

- a) Documents shall clearly show the file or docket number and title of the proceeding in connection with which they are filed, and shall be clearly designated to indicate the nature of the relief sought, inter alia, "application for allocation permit," "complaint," "petition for modification," "petition for emergency allocation," or "motion."
- b) Except as otherwise provided, four copies of all documents including application, complaints, motions, petitions, and petitions for review shall be filed with the Hearing Officer. Only two copies of any discovery motion, interrogatories, answers to interrogatories, or subpoena filed with or by the Hearing Officer need to be filed with the Hearing Officer.
- c) Documents shall be ~~prepared typewritten or reproduced from typewritten copy~~ on unglazed white paper of greater than 12 pound weight and measuring 8-1/2" x 11". ~~Reproductions may be made by carbon or electrostatic copying machine or any other process that produces legible black on white copies.~~ All documents shall be fastened on the left side or in the upper left hand corner. The left margin of each page shall be at least 1-1/2 inches and the right margin at least one inch.
- d) One copy of each document will be signed by the applicant or party or by his authorized representative or attorney.
- e) Documents shall contain the name, address and phone number of the applicant or party filing or his authorized representative or attorney.

(Source: Amended at 9 Ill. Reg. 386, effective January 1, 1985)

#### **Section 3730.105 Service of Documents and Proof of Service**

- a) Where the Hearing Officer or any person is required by statute or by the provisions of these rules to serve any document upon any person, service shall (in the absence of specific provisions in these rules to the contrary) be made in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- b) Where any person is required to serve any document filed with the Hearing Officer, service shall be made by that person or by his representative on or before the day on which the document is filed.
- c) Documents may be served upon a party, his attorney, or other duly constituted agent by delivering a copy or by mailing a copy to the last known address. When a party is represented by an attorney of record in any proceeding, service shall be made upon such attorney.
- d) Delivery of a copy pursuant to this section means handing it to the party, his attorney, or other duly constituted agent or other person in charge of the office of the person being served; or, if there is no one in charge of such office, leaving it in a conspicuous place therein; or, if such office is closed or the person to be served has no office, leaving it at his dwelling house or usual place of abode with some person of suitable age and discretion then residing therein.

- e) Service by mail is complete upon mailing.
- f) Proof of service, as provided in this Section, shall be filed before action is taken. The proof of service shall show the time and manner of service, and may be by written acknowledgment of service, by certificate of the person effecting the service, or by other proof as satisfactory to the Hearing Officer. Failure to make proof of service will not affect the validity of the service. The Hearing Officer may allow the proof to be amended or supplied at any time before action is taken unless to do so would result in material prejudice to a party.

#### **Section 3730.106 Computation of Time**

- a) Computation of any period of time prescribed by these rules or the Act shall begin with the first business day following the day on which the act, event or development initiating such period of time occurs, and shall run until the end of the last day, or the next following business day if the last day is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. Where the period of time is five days or less, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays shall be excluded in the computation of time.
- b) Notice requirements shall be construed to mean notice received, but proof that notice was dispatched by means reasonably calculated to be received by the prescribed date shall be prima facie proof that notice was timely received.

#### **Section 3730.107 Appearances and Representation**

- a) Any person entitled to participate in proceedings may appear as follows:
  - 1) A natural person may appear in his own behalf or by an attorney at law licensed and registered to practice in the State of Illinois.
  - 2) A business, non-profit, or government organization may appear by any bonafide officer, employee, or representative, or may be represented by an attorney licensed and registered to practice in the State of Illinois, or both.
- b) Attorneys not licensed and registered to practice in the State of Illinois may appear on motion.
- c) An attorney appearing in a representative capacity shall file a written notice of appearance together with proof of service on all parties or their respective attorneys.

#### **Section 3730.108 Designation and Representation**

- a) A party entitled to participate in the hearing proceeding may designate another entity to represent its interests by filing with the Department a written application accompanied by a Resolution from the governing board of the designating party and a written Acceptance from the entity appearing in a representative capacity.

The Designation of Representation and Acceptance of such designation shall be made on forms prescribed by the Department and executed by duly authorized officials of the parties. The designating party may withdraw the designation at any time upon its own motion with or without the consent of the previous designee.

- b) The designated representative will be responsible to file all documents, complete all applications, answer all inquiries, present all testimony, and represent all other interest of the designating party for the purpose of applying for and obtaining a water withdrawal permit for water from Lake Michigan.
- c) After receipt of the aforementioned documents, all correspondence will be directed to the designated representative only and the designating party is irrevocably bound by its action in these matters until such time as the designation is withdrawn and receipt of such withdrawal is acknowledged by the Department.

#### **Section 3730.109 Public Information**

- a) The Department shall maintain files containing all information submitted to or produced by the Department or Hearing Officers relating to matters within the Department's jurisdiction, except that internal communications of the Department shall be filed only at the request of the Director or his designated representatives. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the files shall include, among other things: pleadings, motions, notices, minutes, transcripts, exhibits, orders and opinions; proposed and adopted regulations; communications to or from the Department; newsletters and other releases; business records; and informal complaints received.
- b) All such files shall be open to reasonable public inspection and copying, at the expense of the interested party.
- c) The Department shall maintain a comprehensive index of all files open to public inspection.
- d) The Department may in its discretion disseminate from time to time newsletters, digests of minutes and other releases regarding any matter before the Department.

#### **Section 3730.110 Severability**

If any rules, sentence, clause, subsection, phrase or requirement of these rules is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or violative of law, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect or impair the validity of the remaining portions of these rules.

### **SUBPART B: HEARING**

#### **Section 3730.201 Applicability**

The rules of this part shall apply to all hearings concerning allocation of Lake Michigan water other than rulemaking.

### Section 3730.202 Authorization of Hearings

- a) Allocation Hearing: Except in the case of an emergency allocation, the Department shall hold allocation hearing(s) as authorized by the Act within 90 days of submission to the Department of an application for allocation or on the motion of the Department, the purpose of which shall be publicly stated to be contemplation of allocations of Lake Michigan water. The burden of proof in an allocation proceeding will lie with each applicant for an allocation.
- b) Enforcement Proceeding: The Department may hold hearing(s) as authorized by the Act within 90 days of submission to the Department by any entity of a complaint for misuse of allocation, or on the motion of the Department for the purpose of gathering information with reference to abuse or misuse of any allocation and of entering an order presenting findings and directing a course of action, including changes in allocations previously made. Hearings will be held on all complaints which comply with Section 3730.205 (a), are not plainly devoid of merit or frivolous, and do not deal with a subject on which a hearing has been held within the preceding six months.
- c) Petitions for Modification: The Department may hold hearing(s) on a petition for modification of an allocation permit. The burden of proof in a modification proceeding will lie with the petitioner/applicant. Hearings will be held on all petitions which comply with Section 3730.310 (a).
- d) Petitions for Emergency Allocation: The Department shall within 60 days of issuing and entering an order for an emergency allocation give notice and conduct a hearing regarding such emergency allocation.
- e) Designation of Hearing Officer: If the Department authorizes a hearing under any of the above sections, the Director shall designate a Hearing Officer to preside over such hearing.

(Source: Amended at 9 Ill. Reg. 386, effective January 1, 1985)

### Section 3730.203 Parties

- a) The party seeking an allocation permit, an emergency allocation, or the modification of an allocation permit shall be designated as the petitioner. Any party initiating an enforcement proceeding shall be designated as the complainant. Any party who seeks to be heard and whose interests are adverse to the petitioner's or the complainant's shall be designated as the respondent.
- b) Incorrect designation of a party is not a ground for dismissal but the name of a party may be corrected at any time.
- c) If a complete determination of ~~an~~ controversy cannot be had without the presence of other parties, the Hearing Officer may direct them to be made parties. The Hearing Officer may allow the intervention of other persons or entities with an



interest in the matter on any side of the controversy or in aid of the Department.

#### **Section 3730.204 Allocation Applications and Petitions for Modification**

Four copies of application for allocations, petition for emergency allocation, and petition for modification shall be filed with the Department and shall contain:

- a) In the case of an Application for Allocation, all information required under Section 3730.302.
- b) In the case of a Petition for Emergency Allocation, all information required under Section 3730.305.
- c) In the case of a Petition for Modification, all information required under Section 3730.310 including reference to any change in circumstances or any information previously submitted pursuant to Section 3730.302 and any claimed errors in interpretation of the Act or the rules.

#### **Section 3730.205 Complaint**

- a) Pursuant to Section 3730.202 (b), a Complaint shall contain the following:
  - 1) a reference to the provision of the Act or the rules of which the respondent(s) is alleged to be in violation; and
  - 2) the dates, location, events, nature, extent and duration of abuses or misuses alleged to constitute violations of the Act or the rules complained of to an extent sufficient to advise respondent(s) of the full extent and nature of matters complained of adequate to reasonably allow preparation of a defense.
- b) Unless respondent files an answer within 20 days after receipt of the complaint, all material allegations shall be taken as denied. All motions preliminary to a hearing shall be presented to the Hearing Officer at least 5 days prior to the date of hearing, or on such other date as the Hearing Officer or these rules shall designate.

#### **Section 3730.206 Notice of Hearing**

- a) In cases in which a hearing is held pursuant to Section 3730.202 (a), (c) or (d), the commencement of the hearing shall be within 90 days after the date on which the application for allocation or petition for modification of allocation was received by the Department unless otherwise ordered by the Hearing Officer, or within 60 days after an order for an emergency allocation was entered by the Department. The Department shall give notice of hearing in these cases as follows:
  - 1) to all permittees; petitioners; the Counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, **Kendall**, Lake, Will, and McHenry; the City of Chicago; the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District; the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency; and the

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning~~Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission~~ and

- 2) by publication not less than twice in newspapers of general circulation in the immediate and remote area(s) which may be affected by diversions of Lake Michigan waters, such publications to be no longer than one week apart, and the hearing to be held within 10 days following date of last publication;
- b) In cases in which a hearing is held pursuant to Section 3730.202(b), complainant(s) and respondent(s) shall receive notice by certified mail of the time and place of the hearing no less than 20 days before the hearing is held. In addition, complainant(s) must provide proof of service of the complaint on each respondent showing that service was completed in compliance with Section 3730.105 no less than 20 days before the hearing is held.
- c) The Hearing Officer shall make available to any person copies of applications, petitions, or complaints at the time the hearing date is announced.

(Source: Amended at 9 Ill. Reg. 386, effective January 1, 1985)

**Section 3730.207 Prehearing Conferences**

- a) In any proceeding the Hearing Officer may direct parties or their attorneys to appear, upon 10 or more days written notice, at a specified time and place for a conference, prior to or during the course of hearing for the purpose of formulating issues and considering:
  - 1) The simplification of issues of fact and law;
  - 2) the necessity or desirability of amending documents for the purpose of clarification, amplification, or limitation;
  - 3) the possibility of making admissions of certain averments of fact or stipulations concerning the use of matters of public record to avoid unnecessary introduction of proof;
  - 4) the limitation of the number of witnesses, including experts;
  - 5) the propriety of prior mutual exchange between or among parties of prepared testimony and exhibits; and
  - 6) such other matters as may aid in the simplification of the evidence and disposition of the proceeding.
- b) Action taken at the conference shall be recorded in an appropriate ruling unless the parties enter into written stipulations as to such matters, or agree to a statement thereof made on the record by the Hearing Officer.

**Section 3730.208 Discovery**

- a) Hearing Officer
- 1) The Hearing Officer may order production of documents or things, depositions, or interrogatories in his discretion upon the written request of any party or by the Department on its own motion, either by an order directed to a party or by subpoena directed to a non-party, where:
    - A) necessary to expedite the proceedings;
    - B) to ensure a clear or concise record;
    - C) to ensure a fair opportunity to prepare for the hearing; or
    - D) to avoid surprise at the hearing.
  - 2) The Hearing Officer shall restrict such discovery where necessary to prevent undue delay or harassment.
- b) The Hearing Officer may in his discretion order the following discovery upon written request of any party:
- 1) a list of witnesses who are known to the party, who have knowledge of the occurrence, or other relevant facts;
  - 2) a list of expert witnesses who may be called at the hearing, which shall be submitted to all parties prior to the hearing; and
  - 3) reasonable inspection of the premises by experts.
- c) Any person, including a party, who is deposed, interrogated or required to submit documents or things under these rules may be examined regarding any matter, not privileged, which is relevant to the subject matter of the pending case, or which may lead to the discovery of such relevant information.
- d) All depositions and interrogatories taken pursuant to this rule shall be for purposes of discovery only, except as herein provided. Such depositions and interrogatories may be used for purposes of impeachment and as admissions of the deposed or interrogated party. Upon application to the Hearing Officer either before or after the taking of such deposition or interrogatories and upon showing that at the time of the hearing, the party deposed or interrogated will not be available to participate in the hearing because of death, age, sickness, infirmity, absence from the Northeastern Illinois Metropolitan Region (specifically the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will), or other exceptional circumstances, the Hearing Officer may order that the deposition or interrogatories be used as evidence in the hearing.
- e) Upon transcription of the deposition, it shall be made available to the deponent for examination and signature, unless signature is waived both by him and by the parties who are represented at the deposition. Any changes in form or substance which the deponent desires to make shall be entered upon the deposition by the court reporter taking the same with a statement of the reasons given by the

deponent making them. The deposition shall then be signed by the deponent unless the deponent is ill or cannot be found or refuses to sign, in which event the court reporter's certification shall state the reason for the omission of the signature.

#### **Section 3730.209 Admissions**

- a) Request for Admission of Fact. A party, or the Department on its own motion, may serve on any other party a written request for the admission by the latter of the truth of any specified relevant fact set forth in the request.
- b) Request for Admission of Genuineness of Document. A party or the Department on its own motion, may serve on any other party a written request for admission of the genuineness of any relevant documents described in the request. Copies of the documents shall be served with the request unless copies have already been furnished.
- c) Admission in the Absence of Denial.
  - 1) Each of the matters of fact and the genuineness of each document of which admission is requested is admitted unless, within 20 days after service thereof, the party to whom the request is directed serves upon the party requesting the admission either:
    - A) a sworn statement denying specifically the matters of which admission is requested or setting forth in detail the reasons why he cannot truthfully admit or deny those matters; or
    - B) written objections on the ground that some or all of the requested admissions are privileged or irrelevant or that the request is otherwise improper in whole or in part.
  - 2) If written objections to a part of the request are made, the remainder of the request shall be answered within the period designated in the request. A denial shall fairly meet the substance of the requested admission. If good faith requires that a party deny only a part, or requires qualification of a matter of which an admission is requested, he shall specify so much of it as is true and deny only the remainder. Any objections to a request or to an answer shall be heard by the Hearing Officer upon prompt notice and motion of the party making the request.
- d) Effect of Admission. Any admission by a party pursuant to a request under this rule is for the purpose of the pending action only. It does not constitute an admission by him for any other purpose and may not be used against him in any other proceeding.

#### **Section 3730.210 Authority of Hearing Officer**

The Hearing Officer shall have the duty to conduct a fair and impartial hearing, to take all necessary action to avoid delay, to maintain order, and to ensure development of a clear and

complete record. He shall have all powers necessary to these ends including (but not limited to) the power to:

- a) require, when appropriate, all parties to state their position with respect to any proposal, application, petition, or complaint;
- b) administer oaths and affirmations;
- c) examine witnesses and direct witnesses to testify;
- d) regulate the course of the hearing;
- e) limit the number of times any witness may testify; limit repetitious or cumulative testimony, and establish reasonable limits on the amount of time each witness may testify;
- f) to issue discovery orders pursuant to Section 3730.208;
- g) to issue subpoenas pursuant to Section 3730.212;
- h) conduct hearings and prehearing conferences;
- i) Rule or reserve ruling on the admissibility of evidence and amendments to pleadings;
- j) continue a hearing from day to day or adjourn it to a later date by announcement thereof at the hearing or by appropriate notice thereof to all parties; and
- k) direct parties to enter their appearances on the record.

#### **Section 3730.211 Hearing Procedure**

- a) General Provisions
  - 1) All hearings shall be open to the public.
  - 2) All testimony taken at such hearings shall be under oath or affirmation.
  - 3) All relevant evidence is admissible if, in the opinion of the Hearing Officer, it is of a type commonly relied upon by reasonably prudent men in the conduct of their affairs. Objections to evidentiary offers may be made and shall be noted in the record.
  - 4) In determining the admissibility of evidence, the Hearing Officer shall give consideration to, but not be bound by rules of evidence governing civil proceedings.
  - 5) Official notice may be taken of all facts of which judicial notice may be taken and of other facts within the specialized knowledge and experience of the Hearing Officer. Whenever official notice is requested or the Hearing

Officer intends to take such notice on his own motion, prior notice shall be given to all parties with an opportunity to comment on the relevance or accuracy of the material of which official notice may be taken.

- 6) Copies of direct testimony of any witness shall be served upon the Hearing Officer at least 7 days in advance of the session of the hearing at which such testimony is offered.
- 7) All motions and objections made during a public hearing shall be stated orally on the record, including the grounds of such objection.
- 8) When objection is made to the admissibility of evidence, such evidence may be received subject to such other objection and later ruling.
- 9) All motions other than those made during a hearing shall be in writing and shall state briefly the order or relief applied for and the grounds for such motion. Any such motion shall be filed with the Hearing Officer and a copy thereof shall be served at the same time on the parties. Answering statements, if any, shall be filed in writing with the Hearing Officer within 5 days after service of the motion upon the party filing the answering statement, and a copy thereof shall be served within the same period upon the other parties. The Hearing Officer may in his discretion, call for oral arguments on any such motion.
- 10) Parties may agree by stipulation upon facts involved in the proceeding. Any stipulation reached before a final determination by the Director shall be submitted in writing to the Hearing Officer and shall become effective only if approved by the Hearing Officer.
- 11) Statements from interested citizens may be presented if authorized by the Hearing Officer. These statements are subject to the same Rules and Regulations as herein set forth.

b) Cross-Examination

- 1) Upon the hearing of any action any party thereto or any person for whose immediate benefit the action is prosecuted or defended, or the officers, directors or managing agents or any party to the action, may be called and examined as if under cross-examination at the instance of any party. The party calling for the examination is not precluded from rebutting the testimony thus given by counter testimony and may impeach the witness by proof of prior inconsistent statements.
- 2) If the Hearing Officer determines that a witness is hostile or unwilling, he may be examined by the party calling him as if under cross-examination.
- 3) The scope of cross-examination shall be defined by those issues relevant to the Director's determination.
- 4) Repetitious cross-examination may be limited by the Hearing Officer.

c) Documentary Evidence

- 1) The Hearing Officer may receive material and relevant evidence which would be relied upon by reasonably prudent persons in the conduct of serious affairs which is reasonably necessary to resolution of the issue for which it is offered; provided that the rules relating to privileged topics shall be observed.
  - 2) The Hearing Officer shall exclude immaterial, irrelevant, and repetitious evidence.
  - 3) When the admissibility of disputed evidence depends upon an arguable interpretation of substantive law, the Hearing Officer shall admit such evidence.
  - 4) Upon stipulation of the parties, the Hearing Officer may order the record of any relevant prior proceeding before the Department incorporated into the record of the present proceeding. In such an event, the Hearing Officer shall incorporate the entire or appropriate portions of the record constituting such prior proceeding into the present proceeding.
  - 5) Relevant scientific or technical articles, treatises or materials may be introduced into evidence subject to qualification of the author and subject to refutation or disputation through any introduction of comparable documentary evidence or expert testimony.
  - 6) When a party desires to offer in evidence any portion of the record in any other proceeding or previously filed applications, such portion or application shall be offered in the form of an exhibit unless objected to or otherwise stipulated by the parties. Upon objection such materials may be submitted for admission pursuant to sub-section c(9) of this section.
  - 7) When any material or relevant matter offered in evidence by any party is embraced in a book, paper or document containing other matter not material or relevant, the party offering the same shall plainly designate the matter so offered. If, in the judgment of the Hearing Officer, such immaterial or irrelevant matter would unnecessarily encumber the record, such book, paper or document will not be received in evidence as a whole, but the material or relevant portions thereof, if otherwise admissible, may be read into the record or a true copy thereof supplied in the form of an exhibit.
  - 8) When an exhibit of a documentary character is marked for identification and offered in evidence, four copies thereof shall be furnished to the Hearing Officer and one copy to each party who requests a copy unless the Hearing Officer rules otherwise. Copies will be retained by the Hearing Officer and the Department.
  - 9) When a party desires to offer in evidence any evidence heretofore considered in the issuance of a previous allocation order, such evidence shall be reintroduced by the proponent thereof provided said proponent has a witness or witnesses available who will state under oath that such evidence represents his testimony and is subject to cross-examination.
- d) Depositions. During the pendency of any proceeding, the Hearing Officer either upon his own motion or upon application in writing by any party may cause the deposition for use as evidence in the proceeding of any witness within or without the State to be taken in the manner provided by law for depositions in civil actions in the course of this State, and to

that end may compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, accounts and documents. Except under special circumstances and for good cause shown, no deposition may be taken except upon 10 days prior notice to all parties.

- e) Postponement or Continuance of Hearing
  - 1) A hearing may be postponed or continued for due cause by the Hearing Officer upon his own motion or upon motion of a party to the Hearing.
  - 2) Notice of motion for postponement or continuance shall be given in writing, by the party requesting the motion, to all parties to the hearing within a reasonable time in advance of the previously scheduled hearing date.
- f) Default. Failure of a party to appear on the date set for hearing, or failure to proceed as ordered by the Hearing Officer shall constitute a default. Within 30 days after notice to the party of the default order and upon good cause being shown, the party may move to vacate the default and be allowed to proceed as if no default had been entered. Upon default the Director shall enter such order as is appropriate based upon the evidence introduced at the hearing.

#### **Section 3730.212 Subpoenas**

- a) Pursuant to Section 10 of the Act, upon verified application to the Hearing Officer by any party and upon a showing that such subpoena is reasonably required, or on motion of the Hearing Officer, the Hearing Officer shall issue a subpoena for attendance at a deposition or a hearing, which may include a command to produce books, papers, documents, or tangible things designated therein and reasonably necessary to resolution of the matter under consideration, subject to the limitations on discovery prescribed by these Rules.
- b) Every subpoena shall state the title of the action and shall command each person to whom it is directed to attend and give testimony at the time and place therein specified.
- c) The Hearing Officer, upon motion made promptly and in any event at or before the time specified in the subpoena for compliance therewith, may quash or modify the subpoena if it is unreasonable and oppressive.
- d) Any person served with a subpoena issued in accordance with these rules who shall refuse or neglect to appear or to testify, or to produce books, papers, accounts or documents as commanded in such subpoena shall be guilty of a Class B misdemeanor.

#### **Section 3730.213 Official Record**

- a) The Petitioner or complainant, as applicable ~~Department~~ shall provide a court reporter who shall record and transcribe a stenographic record of all hearings and will provide for such copies of the transcript as the Department may require for its own purposes. ~~For hearings commencing after May 12, 1980, the obligation to~~



~~provide a record shall be the petitioner's.~~

- b) After the transcript is filed, the Hearing Officer shall entertain requests for corrections and enter corrections either on the record of a subsequent hearing or in an Order.
- c) The transcript of the hearing, all pleadings, all exhibits entered into evidence, and any documents officially noticed pursuant to Section 3730.211(a)(5) shall constitute the record.
- d) Transcripts of hearings conducted by the Department shall be kept in the custody of the Department and will be open for inspection during the regular office hours. Copies may be made at the expense of the interested party.

#### **Section 3730.214 Order of Hearing Officer or Director**

The Hearing Officer's findings and recommended order shall be presented to the Director for his approval. The Director may issue the recommended order as his own or he may modify the recommended order or reconsider the order or order a rehearing. Any party may petition the Director for reconsideration or for a rehearing within 30 days of the issuance of the Director's order. A copy of the order or decision of the Director shall be filed in the records of the Department and served on each party to the proceeding. Any order and decision of the Director shall be open for public inspection at his offices during regular office hours.

#### **Section 3730.215 Hearing Officer's Proposed Order**

Prior to, during or following the taking of testimony, the hearing of oral argument and the filing of briefs, if any, filed with him by the parties, the Hearing Officer may require filing of proposed orders including proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law.

### SUBPART C: ALLOCATION RULES

#### **Section 3730.301 Allocation Permits**

- a) No regional organization, municipality, political subdivision, agency or instrumentality, or any other organization, association or individual desiring to use water from Lake Michigan which is subject to allocation under the Act shall divert or use any such water after July 1, 1977, unless it has previously obtained from the Department a valid allocation permit.
- b) The Department shall issue an allocation permit to any applicant which it determines to be entitled to an allocation of water from the Lake Michigan diversion according to the criteria set out in this Subpart. The permit shall state the allocation which the applicant is allowed, the starting date and duration of the permitted allocation, and such conditions as specified in Sections 3730.307 and 3730.309 as the Department may require the applicant to comply with in order to receive or to continue to receive its allocated share of the Lake Michigan diversion. Allocations for residential, industrial and commercial uses will be limited for each annual

accounting period. Allocations for navigational makeup and discretionary dilution will be limited by a running average over five annual accounting periods. Allocations The Department will hold an amount of Lake Michigan water in reserve for lockage and leakage which will be based on~~limited by~~ a running average over 40 annual accounting periods.

- c) If, over a five-year running period, a permittee appropriates water in amounts which are greater than 105% of its allocation for that period or if it appropriates in excess of 115 percent of its allocation in any one annual accounting period, the Department ~~may~~ issue a notice of violation of the allocation permit.
- d) If a permittee commits a permit violation under subsections (a), (b) or (c) or if it fails to observe the conditions attached to its allocation permit, the Department ~~may~~ issue a notice of violation. Upon hearing and determination of said violation, the permittee shall be deemed to have failed to obey an order made by the Department and may be subject to a fine of not less than \$1,000 or not more than \$10,000 to be recovered in the name of the People of the State of Illinois in any court of competent jurisdiction. Each day in which the prohibited activity continues shall constitute a new and separate violation of a Department order.
- e) If over a five-year running period, a permittee appropriates water in amounts which are less than 90% of its allocation for the period, any entity or the Department on its own motion may initiate proceedings for a modification according to Sections 3730.204(c) and 3730.310. Any such modification shall be preceded by notice as provided in Section 3730.206 and a hearing held in conformance with Subpart B.
- f) If a permittee, because of physical limitations, cannot use an allocation, the Department may allocate this water after notice and a hearing to another use during an accounting period or hold it in reserve for future use without prejudice to any permittee's allocation in succeeding accounting periods.

(Source: Amended at 14 Ill. Reg. 1484, effective January 3, 1990)

### **Section 3730.302 Application**

An application for an allocation permit shall contain the following information, to be filed on forms provided by the Department:

- a) The name and location of the applicant;
- b) A description of the geographic area which the applicant supplies or intends to supply with water, and the number of people residing within that area;
- c) An enumeration of the uses to which the allocation is intended to be put, including the proportion of the allocation which goes to each use;
- d) A description of all proposed and existing systems for the storage, treatment, transportation and distribution of water and the location of any discharge of wastewater effluent within the area which the applicant intends to supply with water from the allocation, including the location, dates of construction, and major

improvements of wells;

- e) A description of all present sources of water supply, within the area described pursuant to Section 3730.302(b), including a breakdown stating the amounts and quality of water currently available and the quantity prospectively available from each source;
- f) A statement of anticipated future needs during the period for which application for a water allocation is being made, including projected land use changes and population changes and per capita use;
- g) A description of the applicant's existing and proposed program or measures to promote the efficient use and conservation of its water supply;
- h) Such other information relevant to the Lake Michigan allocation as the Department deems appropriate.

### Section 3730.303 Classification of Water Users

- a) Applicants will be divided into broad categories determined by water use. The categories in order of descending priorities are: ~~Categories IA, and IB having the same priority,~~ Category II ~~Categories IIA and IIB having the same priority,~~ and Category III.
  - 1) Category IA - Applicants whose primary water needs are residential, commercial or industrial and whose future or continued use of Lake Michigan water is the most economical source of supply.
  - 2) Category IB - Applicants whose primary water demands are residential, commercial and industrial and whose use of Lake Michigan water would reduce the regional use of the deep aquifer.
  - ~~3) Category II - Applicants whose primary water demands are for the minimum flows necessary to meet navigation requirements and minimum discretionary dilution flows necessary to maintain the Sanitary and Ship Canal in a reasonably satisfactory sanitary condition.~~
  - ~~3) Category IIA - Applicants whose water demands are for the minimum discretionary dilution flows necessary to meet water quality standards in the Sanitary and Ship Canal.~~
  - ~~4) Category IIB - Applicants whose primary water demands are residential, commercial and industrial and whose use of Lake Michigan water would reduce regional use of the deep aquifer.~~

- 45) Category III - Applicants whose water demands do not fall into Category IA, IB, or Category IIIA, or IIB.
- b) In determining the need for Category ~~ies~~ IA and IB allocations, the Department will consider the following items:
- 1) Adequacy of supply from sources other than Lake Michigan.
  - 2) Economics of alternative supplies.
  - ~~3) A limitation of 320 cubic feet of water per second for discretionary dilution for water quality purposes in the Sanitary and Ship Canal.~~
  - ~~4) The need to maintain the Sanitary and Ship Canal in a reasonably satisfactory sanitary condition.~~
  - 35) For new applicants ~~users or applicants who have requested an increase over the allocation of Lake Michigan water which these applicants had on July 1, 1980,~~ priority will be given to allocations for domestic purposes.
  - ~~6) The need to meet navigation requirements in the Sanitary and Ship Canal.~~
  - ~~7) The requirement that the Department shall not allocate less than 320 cubic feet per second for discretionary dilution for water quality purposes in the Sanitary and Ship Canal before October 1, 2000, unless a modification is ordered based on the criteria stated in Section 3730.310(b)(4).~~
  - 4) For new applicants allocations of Lake Michigan water will be made with the goal of reducing withdrawals from the Cambrian-Ordovician Aquifer.
- c) <sup>▲</sup>In determining the need for priorities within Category ~~ies~~ II allocations ~~A and IIB~~, the Department will consider the following items:
- 1) A limitation of ~~270~~320 cubic feet per second for discretionary dilution for water quality purposes in the Sanitary and Ship Canal.
  - 2) The need to meet navigation requirements in the Sanitary and Ship Canal. ~~The requirement that the Department shall not allocate less than 320 cubic feet per second for discretionary dilution for water quality purposes in the Sanitary and Ship Canal before October 1, 2000, unless a modification is ordered based on the criteria stated in Section 3730.310(b)(4).~~
  - 3) The minimum discretionary diversion needed to keep meet water quality standards in the Sanitary and Ship Canal in a reasonable satisfactory sanitary condition.
  - ~~4) For new users or applicants who have requested an increase over the allocation of Lake Michigan water these applicants had on July 1, 1980, allocations of Lake Michigan water will be made with the goal of reducing withdrawals from the Cambrian-Ordovician Aquifer.~~

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- d) Category III applicants do not qualify for an allocation of water from Lake Michigan.
- e) The Department will normally make allocations to meet the full water needs of any Category IA and IB applicants as determined by the Department before any water is allocated to applicants in Category ~~ies II~~ of the lower priority.
- ef) In determining the amount of water available for allocations to Categories IA, IB and II, II, & III, the Department will consider the amount of water that must be reserved for storm water runoff, lockage and leakage and a reserve for future increases in demands and storm water runoff.

#### Section 3730.304 Water Needs Criteria

The Department will determine anticipated water needs for each applicant. The Department will take into consideration in making such determination the population of the area to be served, projected population growth, current and projected per capita consumption within the area, the nature and extent of industrial uses (including a consideration of typical requirements for similar industries), municipal and hydrant uses (public facilities, park upkeep, fire protection), implementation of conservation practices, and the reduction of unaccounted-for flows as required by these rules.

- a) Conservation practices which will be considered with respect to applicants in Categories IA and ~~II~~B include the extent of metering, the provision of building codes for water efficient equipment, ordinances which promote the efficient use of water for lawn sprinkling and other outside uses, rate structures which encourage conservation, past record of enforcement of water saving ordinances, expenditures for maintenance and repair of water distribution systems, and implementation of specific ground water conservation levels of usage recommended by State or regional planning agencies. The Director may establish maximum reasonable per capita consumption rates for each user based upon either an evaluation of the relative proportion of industrial, commercial and residential users served by the permittee or the efficiency of the permittee's water distribution system, or both. Unaccounted-for flows for applicants in Categories IA and ~~II~~B should not exceed 8%, based on net annual pumpage. Applicants whose unaccounted-for-flow exceeds 8% should submit a compliance plan with timeframe to the Department outlining the actions the applicant plans to undertake to come into compliance. The Department will consider this information in determining proper allocation amounts shall not exceed 12% in 1981 decreasing to 8% in 1986 and for all years thereafter except as provided in Section 3730.307(b). The percentages stated in this Section shall be based on net annual pumpage.
- b) Conservation practices which will be considered with respect to applicants in Category ~~ies II-IB and IIA~~ include improved and more accurate measurement and accounting procedures, improved treatment of all waste flows, elimination of untreated combined sewer bypass flows, reasonable use of instream-aeration facilities, impoundment or other methods to provide for the reuse of lockage water, regulation of lock usage, implementation of navigational and storm response operations and procedures to minimize Lake Michigan diversion and implementation of effective programs of leak prevention, detection and correction.

### Section 3730.305 Emergencies

- a) Upon the occurrence of an unforeseen event and where necessary to safeguard the health, safety, or welfare of the people of the State of Illinois, the Director shall make an emergency allocation of water upon a showing by any user or applicant that:
  - 1) A water shortage emergency exists, threatening the public health, safety, or welfare of people whom the user or applicant intends to supply with water; and
  - 2) The user or applicant is making provisions to prevent the continuation or recurrence of such emergency allocations by developing alternative sources of water supply.
- b) The effectiveness of an emergency allocation order shall last until the Department has issued and entered an order after a hearing regarding the emergency allocation is held in accordance with Section 3730.202(d).
- c) All hearings on emergency allocations will be held after notice has been given pursuant to Section 3730.206(a).

(Source: Amended at 9 Ill. Reg. 386, effective January 1, 1985)

### Section 3730.306 Transfer of Water Use Rights

- a) A user may not transfer any portion of its allocation of Lake Michigan water to another user unless the transferor has satisfied all of the conditions precedent attached to its water allocation permit and the Department has approved the transfer according to the procedures in subparagraph (b) or (c) of this Section.
- b) All requests for transfers, except those described in subparagraph (c) of this Section, shall be processed as petitions for modification of the allocation permits of the transferor and the transferee according to Sections 3730.204(c) and 3730.310. These requests shall not be approved or disapproved unless notice has been given as provided in Section 3730.206 and a hearing has been held in conformance with Subpart B of this Part.
- c) Any request for a transfer which includes the following statements may be approved by the Department after 30 days notice to all permittees and an opportunity for hearing has been provided:
  - 1) The transferor must have satisfied all of the conditions precedent attached to its water allocation permit.
  - 2) The transferee must be a duly constituted regional water supply organization.
  - 3) The transferor and transferee must clearly indicate that the transferee

assumes responsibility for compliance by the transferor with the requirements of Sections 3730.307 and 3730.309.

- 4) The requested transfer must comprise 100% of the transferor's allocation.
  - 5) The transferred allocation must be used solely by the transferor.
- d) Transfers to another user of any part of an allocation, except those transfers described in subparagraph (c) of this Section, will be considered prima evidence of a reduction in the transferor's water use needs equivalent in size to the transferred allocation when the transferor applies for a renewal permit. However, evidence that an applicant has obtained additional Lake Michigan water from other users beyond that amount originally allocated to the transferee will not be sufficient to establish a prima facie case that the transferee-applicant's original allocation should be increased by a corresponding amount.
- e) All transfers terminate upon the expiration of the transferor's allocation permit.

#### **Section 3730.307 Conservation Practices and Other Permit Conditions**

- a) The Department shall condition allocations within a user category upon required conservation practices for each user category as specified in subsections (b) and (c). Failure by any permittee to meet the conservation requirements applicable to it within a reasonable period of time will, upon notice, hearing and determination of such failure, constitutes a violation of a Department order.
- b) ~~Unaccounted-for-flow for permittees in Category IA and IB shall not exceed 8%, based on net annual pumpage. Any permittee whose unaccounted-for-flow exceeds 8% in any two consecutive accounting periods shall submit a compliance plan with timeframe to the Department for approval outlining the actions the permittee plans to undertake to come into compliance. The Department recognizes that actions necessary to come into compliance with this requirement can require significant capital expenditures and a lengthy timeframe, and will take this into account in reviewing and approving unaccounted-for-flow compliance plans. As a condition of receiving an allocation of Lake Michigan water, all permittees will agree to submit to the Department proposals designed to reduce or eliminate wasteful water use and to reduce unaccounted for flows to 8% or less, based on net annual pumpage, and procedures used to determine efficiency of water metering or accounting in permittee's system.~~
- c) The Department shall require evidence of adoptions by the permittee of the following conservation practices as applicable to the particular user:
- 1) Leakage monitoring and correction for storage, transmission and distribution systems.
  - 2) Metering of all new construction, including sub-metering in all multi-family buildings.
  - 3) Metering of existing non-metered services as part of any major remodeling.

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- 4) The adoption of ordinances which require that new and replacement plumbing fixtures be labeled Water Sense product, as specified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. If no USEPA Water Sense labeled products exists for a type of plumbing fixture, then the requirements of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 shall apply. ~~installation of the following water efficient plumbing fixtures based on a pressure at the fixture of 40 to 50 psi in all new construction and in all repair or replacement of fixtures or trim:~~

**Fixtures** \_\_\_\_\_ **Maximum Flow**

~~Water Closets, tank type~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~3.5 gal per flush~~

~~Water Closets, flushometer type~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~3.0 gal per flush~~

~~Urinals, tank type~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~3.0 gal per flush~~

~~Urinals, flushometer type~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~3.0 gal per flush~~

~~Shower Heads~~ \_\_\_\_\_ ~~3.0 GPM~~

~~Lavatory, sink faucets~~ ~~3.0 GPM~~

- 5) The adoption of ordinances which require the installation of closed system air conditioning in all new construction and in all remodeling.
- 6) The adoption of ordinances which require that all lavatories for public use in new construction or remodeling be equipped with metering or self closing faucets.
- 7) The adoption of ordinances which require that all newly constructed or remodeled car wash installations be equipped with a water recycling system.
- 8) The adoption of ordinances which restrict non-essential outside water uses to prevent excessive, wasteful use. As a minimum, these restrictions shall provide that unrestricted lawn sprinkling on established lawns will not be allowed from May 15 - September 15 of each year, and that lawn sprinkling will not be allowed between the hours of 10am – 4pm nor on consecutive days. In addition, new/replacement sprinkler systems shall be equipped with a Water Sense labeled irrigation controller.
- 9) Development and implementation of public programs to encourage reduced water use.
- 10) Installation of facilities and implementation of programs to reduce to a reasonable minimum, and to accurately account for, water used for navigational and discretionary diversion purposes, leakage, and leakage purposes; and pollution treatment, control or abatement purposes.
- d) Within 90 days of receipt of an allocation permit, each permittee which uses any

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water from deep aquifer pumpage shall submit a phased program designed to end this practice, other than for emergency or standby use, within five years of the receipt of Lake Michigan water.

- e) As a condition of receiving an allocation of Lake Michigan water, all permittees will limit hydrant uses to 1% or less of net annual pumpage in each annual accounting period. The Department may grant an exception to this requirement if it can be shown by the user that this requirement can't be met. In determining the merits of a request for an exception, the Department considers such factors as engineering studies of hydrant uses and unusual circumstances during an annual accounting period.
- f) The Department recommends that all permittees adopt water rate structures based on metered water use and that water rate structures be developed which will discourage excessive water use. The Department also recommends that water rates reflect the full cost of water, including the long term cost to properly maintain and operate the water supply distribution system in such a manner as to keep system losses to a minimum.

(Source: Amended at 14 Ill. Reg. 1484, effective January 3, 1990)

#### **Section 3730.308 Duration of Permit and Renewals**

- a) The Department shall determine the duration of each allocation permit, which shall be stated upon the face of the permit.
- b) At the expiration of each allocation permit, the permit shall be renewed year by year in the same amount and on the same conditions as were in force upon expiration of the permit, unless any entity, or the Department on its own motion, files a petition for modification in compliance with Section 3730.204 (c) and 3730.310 and the Department determines that the petition is not frivolous. A permit shall remain in force and effect pending a determination by the Department of the issues raised in the modification proceedings.

#### **Section 3730.309 Reporting Requirements**

- a) Within 60 days of the end of each accounting period, all permittees shall furnish the following information and such other information relevant to the Lake Michigan allocation as the Department may require on forms provided by the Department:
  - 1) Total water use from all sources for the accounting year and the percentage of water distributed through metered services;
  - 2) Average daily water use by month from all sources for the accounting year;
  - 3) Maximum and minimum daily pumpage from all sources for the accounting year and the dates of these events;
  - 4) Total pumpage from Lake Michigan, shallow aquifer wells, and deep aquifer

wells, including the number and location of each well, and the percentage of total water use for the accounting year from each source;

- 5) Individual well production rates for the accounting year including well numbers, average pumping rates, and average number of hours pumped per day;
- 6) For each well a list of all parameters which exceed the standards in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 601-607;
- 7) A list of which wells, if any, interfere with each other during simultaneous pumping;
- 8) A description of any problems anticipated from any well supply during the next accounting period;
- 9) The amount and percentage of water from all sources for the accounting period used for each of the following purposes:
  - A) Residential,
  - B) Industrial and commercial,
  - C) Municipal use,
  - D) Firefighting and training,
  - E) Water main flushing,
  - F) Sewer flushing,
  - G) Street cleaning,
  - H) Public and private construction,
  - I) Leakage,
  - J) Lockage,
  - K) Storm water runoff,
  - L) Navigational makeup,
  - M) Discretionary diversion,
  - N) Unmetered services,
  - O) Unaccounted for, and
  - ~~P) Unavoidable leakage, and~~

P Other identified uses;

- 10) Summaries of the results and recommendations of any leak surveys conducted in the accounting period;
  - 11) Amounts transferred and sources of all water sold or otherwise provided to any other named distribution system during the accounting period;
  - 12) A copy of the current water rates for all consumers including an indication whether each water rate structure is declining, flat, or increasing, and
  - 13) The name, address and telephone number of the person the Department should contact if further information is needed.
- b) Within 30 days of the end of each month, all permittees with an intake structure on Lake Michigan shall state the daily pumpage rates for Lake Michigan water, the monthly average pumpage rate, the average daily supply transferred to other named entities and such other information relevant to the Lake Michigan allocation as the Department may reasonably require on forms provided by the Department.
- c) Within 30 days of the end of each month, all permittees who are the first Illinois users of water diverted from Lake Michigan outside Illinois shall state the daily pumpage rates for Lake Michigan water, the monthly average pumpage rate, the average daily supply transferred to other entities and such other information relevant to the Lake Michigan allocation as the Department may reasonably require on forms provided by the Department.

#### **Section 3730.310 Petitions for Modification**

- a) Petitions for Modification of an allocation permit may be filed by any entity at any time. Petitions for modification must comply with Section 3730.204 (c). If the Department finds that any such petition is supported by an adequate statement of reasons, is not plainly devoid of merit or frivolous and does not deal with a subject on which a hearing has been held within the preceding six months, a hearing shall be held pursuant to Sections 3730.201 through 3730.215. Copies of each petition for modification shall be served upon all parties to the allocation proceedings. A copy of the service list may be obtained from the Department.
- b) **Basies** for modification of an allocation permit include, but are not limited to:
- 1) Evidence of a substantial change in circumstances which results in a change in water needs of the entity; or
  - 2) Violation of a permit condition and/or failure or neglect to properly utilize an allocation; or
  - 3) Determination by the Department that a total reallocation is necessary to best utilize the Lake Michigan diversion to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the Northeastern Illinois Metropolitan Region; or
  - 4) Notification received by the Department from the Illinois Environmental

Protection Agency stating that pollution abatement facilities affecting the water quality of the Sanitary and Ship Canal have become operational or that standards affecting the water quality of the Sanitary and Ship Canal have been changed.

- c) In the Department's determination of the outcome of a modification proceeding, the Department shall determine the effect of a modification on any outstanding securities, debt obligations or contractual obligations of any permittee whose allocation is the subject of the modification proceeding and shall endeavor to avoid any material adverse effect on these obligations.
- d) The Department may, in its discretion, schedule a hearing upon any petition without regard to the existence of the factors listed in subparagraph (b) of this Section if it deems holding such hearing to be in the public interest.

#### SUBPART D: ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

##### **Section 3730.401 Administrative Review**

All final administrative orders of the Director except those orders which deal with rulemaking shall be subject to judicial review pursuant to the Administrative Review Law [735 ILCS 5/Art. III] by filing a complaint and causing the issuance of summons on the Director and on each of the other defendants within 35 days from the date that a copy of such order sought to be reviewed was served.

##### **Section 3730.402 Modification of Order and Decision of Department**

The Director at any time prior to the date on which he is required to file his answer in a judicial review proceeding may upon reasonable advance notice given to all parties by registered or certified mail, which notice shall not be less than ten days in advance of such date, modify or set aside in whole or in part the Order and Decision appealed from.

#### SUBPART E: PENALTIES

##### **Section 3730.501 Penalties**

Any person who shall neglect or refuse or fail to obey any lawful order made by the Department or to carry the same into effect in accordance with the terms thereof shall be guilty of a business offense and shall be liable to a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 nor more than \$10,000.00 to be recovered in the name of the People of the State of Illinois in any court of competent jurisdiction, as provided in Section 8 of the Act.

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