

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Environmental Protection Act is amended by
5 changing Section 15 as follows:

6 (415 ILCS 5/15) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 1015)

7 Sec. 15. Plans and specifications; demonstration of
8 capability; record retention.

9 (a) Owners of public water supplies, their authorized
10 representative, or legal custodians, shall submit plans and
11 specifications to the Agency and obtain written approval
12 before construction of any proposed public water supply
13 installations, changes, or additions is started. Plans and
14 specifications shall be complete and of sufficient detail to
15 show all proposed construction, changes, or additions that may
16 affect sanitary quality, mineral quality, or adequacy of the
17 public water supply; and, where necessary, said plans and
18 specifications shall be accompanied by supplemental data as
19 may be required by the Agency to permit a complete review
20 thereof. In the case of water main installation projects, all
21 water mains and appurtenances, including, but not limited to,
22 fire hydrants and valves that are under the ownership and
23 control of a public water supply and located in a public right

1 of way or utility access easement, shall be included in the
2 Agency's written approval. Design review and permitting of
3 water mains and fire hydrants is the sole responsibility of
4 the Agency, and water mains and fire hydrants shall be
5 installed in accordance with the written Agency permit. Fire
6 hydrants connected to a plumbing system shall be installed in
7 accordance with the Illinois Plumbing License Law and the
8 rules and ordinances issued thereunder.

9 (b) All new public water supplies established after
10 October 1, 1999 shall demonstrate technical, financial, and
11 managerial capacity as a condition for issuance of a
12 construction or operation permit by the Agency or its
13 designee. The demonstration shall be consistent with the
14 technical, financial, and managerial provisions of the federal
15 Safe Drinking Water Act (P.L. 93-523), as now or hereafter
16 amended. The Agency is authorized to adopt rules in accordance
17 with the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act to implement
18 the purposes of this subsection. Such rules must take into
19 account the need for the facility, facility size,
20 sophistication of treatment of the water supply, and financial
21 requirements needed for operation of the facility.

22 (c) Except as otherwise provided under Board rules, owners
23 and operators of community water systems must maintain all
24 records, reports, and other documents related to the operation
25 of the community water system for a minimum of 10 years.
26 Documents required to be maintained under this subsection (c)

1 include, but are not limited to, all billing records and other
2 documents related to the purchase of water from other
3 community water systems. Documents required to be maintained
4 under this subsection (c) must be maintained on the premises
5 of the community water system, or at a convenient location
6 near its premises, and must be made available to the Agency for
7 inspection and copying during normal business hours.

8 (Source: P.A. 96-603, eff. 8-24-09.)