**Section 102.612 Adoption of Emergency Regulations**

a) *When the Board finds that a situation exists which reasonably constitutes a threat to the public interest, safety, or welfare, the Board may adopt regulations pursuant to and in accordance with Section* *5-45 of the* IAPA [415 ILCS 27(c)].

b) *When the Board finds that a severe public health emergency exists, the Board may, in relation to any proposed regulation, order that such regulation shall take effect without delay* [415 ILCS 5/27(c)]. The Board will proceed with any required hearings while the regulation continues in effect.