**Section 186.215 Hearing, Decision and Appeal**

a) The following procedures apply to suspension, revocation and denial of accreditation.

b) Prior to revocation, suspension or denial of accreditation, the Agency shall give written notice of the action by certified mail and email. The notice shall state the facts or conduct and the Sections of the TNI Standard that form the basis for the decision. The notice shall set forth the procedures for appealing the Agency's decision.

c) Any suspension, revocation or denial of accreditation is effective immediately. The laboratory may file a written notice of appeal within 15 days after its receipt of the notice.

d) A laboratory may request a hearing in the notice of appeal. All hearings pursuant to this Part shall be held in Springfield, Illinois. When a hearing is requested, the Director of the Agency shall appoint one or more persons to act as hearing officers. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the Agency's Procedures for Contested Case Hearings (35 Ill. Adm. Code 168).

e) The Director of the Agency shall make a decision within 30 days after receiving the hearing transcript. The Director shall give written notice by certified mail or personal service of the decision, including its basis, to the laboratory.

f) Within 35 days after its receipt of a notice of decision, the laboratory may file an appeal to the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

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