

State of Vermont
WATER RESOURCES BOARD
&
ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

ORDER DENYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE

RE: Unifirst Corporation
WRB Docket No. WQ-97-07
(Appeal of DEC Permit #3-1435)
and
Unifirst Corporation and Williamstown School District
Land Use Permit Amendment #5R0072-2-EB

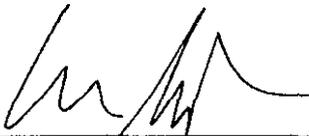
On February 11, 1998, Joyce Day and Alvin Day, Jr., the Appellants in both of the above-referenced proceedings sought a 30 day continuance of the February 17 filing deadline for prefiled testimony and a 30 day continuance of the hearing day scheduled for March 10, 1998. On February 12, 1998, Applicant/Permittee, Unifirst, filed an objection to the request for continuance. We find no compelling reason to grant a continuance in this matter and accordingly, decline to grant Appellants' motion.

Counsel for Unifirst has suggested that the Boards construe the continuance request in light of Rule 40 of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure. For purposes of clarity and to ensure that all Parties are adhering to the appropriate procedural rules in these proceedings, Parties are reminded that neither the Water Resources Board nor the Environmental Board's quasi-judicial proceedings are governed by the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure. Rather, the Boards have each adopted their own rules of procedure. Those rules, and the terms of the Prehearing Conference Reports and Orders govern the subsequent course of this proceeding. To the extent that the rules are inconsistent with one another when a joint ruling is issued, the Environmental Board Rules shall govern.

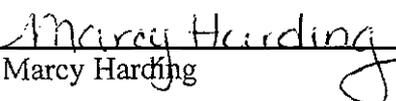
Water Resources Board Chairman William Boyd Davies and Environmental Board Chairwoman Marcy Harding through this joint order, hereby deny the request for a continuance.

Dated at Montpelier on this 12th day of February, 1998.

WATER RESOURCES BOARD & ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD
by their respective Chairs



William Boyd Davies



Marcy Harding