

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)	
PROTECTION AGENCY,)	
)	
Complainant,)	AC 19-20
)	
v.)	(IEPA No. 72-19-AC)
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BRUCE and NANETTE BONTZ and D.)	
BROOKS ESCAVATING, INC.,)	
)	
Respondents.)	

NOTICE OF FILING

To: Daniel P. Cusack
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on this date I filed with the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board of the State of Illinois the following instrument(s) entitled STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL OF RESPONDENTS' PETITION FOR REVIEW.

Respectfully Submitted,



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STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL
OF RESPONDENT'S PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

NOW COMES the Complainant, ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ("Illinois EPA"), by and through its attorney, Michelle M. Ryan, and the Respondents, BRUCE and NANETTE BONTZ and D. BROOKS ESCAVATING, INC., ("Respondents"), by and through their attorney, Daniel P. Cusack, Cusack, Gilfillan & O'Day, pursuant to Sections 31.1 and 42(b)(4-5) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act ("Act"), 415 ILCS 5/31.1 and 42(b)(4-5) (2018), and Section 103.180 of the Illinois Pollution Control Board's ("Board") Rules and Regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.180, the parties hereby enter into this STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL OF RESPONDENTS' PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ("Agreement"), and in support hereof, the parties respectfully state as follows:

1. On April 25, 2019, Jason Thorp, Environmental Protection Specialist for the Illinois EPA's Peoria Regional Office, conducted an inspection of a facility owned and operated by the Respondents. The facility is located 4217 S Harkers Corner Road, Mapleton, Peoria County, Illinois, and is designated with Illinois EPA Site Code No. 1438095005.

2. On or about June 12, 2019, the Illinois EPA served the Respondents with Administrative Citation No. 72-19-AC, alleging therein that the Respondents had caused or allowed open dumping at the facility on April 25, 2019, in a manner which resulted in the following occurrences: (1) litter, a violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(1) (2018); (2) open burning, a violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(3)(2018); and (3) deposition of construction or demolition debris, a violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(7) (2018).

3. On or about July 16, 2019, Respondents filed a Petition for Review contesting the administrative citation.

4. In an effort to resolve this matter without the need for a hearing, the parties have engaged in settlement negotiations and have reached this Agreement and hereby tender it to the Board for approval, the terms and conditions of which are as follows:

- a. Respondents admit that they caused or allowed open dumping resulting in litter, a violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(1) (2018), and agree to pay the statutory civil penalty of \$1,500.00 pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/42(b)(4-5) (2018).
- b. Respondents agree to pay the statutory civil penalty within 30 days of the date of the Board's order accepting this stipulation.
- c. Respondents agree to diligently comply with, and shall cease and desist from further violation of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/1 *et seq.* (2018), and the Board's rules and regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code Subtitles A through H.

- d. The waste located at the site that was the subject of this administrative citation has been removed and properly disposed of.
- e. The Illinois EPA agrees not to refer the violations that are the subject of this administrative citation to the Office of the Illinois Attorney General or any other prosecuting authority for the initiation of a civil enforcement action.
- f. Respondents' Petitions for Review filed with the Board on or about July 16, 2019, shall be dismissed.

WHEREFORE, the parties request that the Board accept this Agreement and issue an order consistent with its terms and conditions.

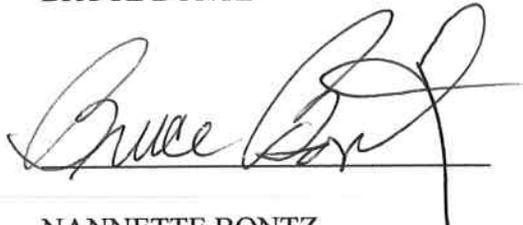
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, Complainant,

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DATE: 1/29/20

-AND-

BRUCE BONTZ


NANNETTE BONTZ

DATE: 12/22/2019

Marnette L. Borz

DATE: 12-22-2019

D. BROOKS EXCAVATING, INC., Respondents,

BY: Dennis Brooks SR DATE: 1-14-20
Dennis W. Brooks, Sr., President

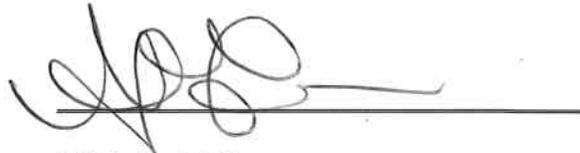
PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did on the 29th day of January, 2020, send by U.S. Mail with postage thereon fully prepaid, by depositing in a United States Post Office Box a true and correct copy of the following instrument(s) entitled STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL OF RESPONDENTS' PETITION FOR REVIEW

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and the original via electronic filing on the same date

To: Don Brown, Clerk
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michelle M. Ryan', is written over a solid horizontal line.

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