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# BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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AQUA ILLINOIS, INC. (f/k/a Consumers Illinois Water Company,	) PCB 03 - 124	PCB 03 - 124	
Petitioner,	) (Contest-Tax Certificatio	n)	
<b>v.</b>	)		
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,			
Respondent.	)		

### **NOTICE OF FILING**

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today filed with the office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board the Joint Motion to Enter Agreed Order, a copy of which is hereby served upon you.

Date: July 8, 2004

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Charles T. Wehland, an attorney, hereby certifies that he served a copy of the attached Joint Motion to Enter Agreed Order upon the persons listed below by first class mail on July 8, 2004.

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CONSUMERS ILLINOIS WATER COMPANY,		)
	Petitioner,	)
	<b>v.</b>	) PCB 03-124 )(Contest-Tax Certification)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,		)
	Respondent.	· )

#### JOINT MOTION TO ENTER AGREED ORDER

Aqua Illinois, Inc. ("Aqua"), formerly Consumers Illinois Water Company, and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("IEPA") hereby submit this joint motion to request the Board to enter an agreed order:

- 1. Aqua filed an Application for Certification of the following equipment with the IEPA on November 7, 2002: (1) three 3-million gallon sludge lagoons, (2) one 4-million gallon backwash waste settling basin, (3) one nitrate removal facility, (4) one wet well/storage basin for ion exchange backwash, (5) one powdered activated carbon unit, (6) two 2-stage upflow clarifiers, and (7) six rapid-rate gravity dual media filters.
- 2. IEPA filed a recommendation to deny certification for all equipment on Aqua's application with the Illinois Pollution Control Board ("IPCB") on or about February 10, 2003.
- 3. Aqua filed its Petition for Administrative Review of the IEPA's recommendation with the Illinois Pollution Control Board on March 14, 2003.
- 4. Aqua and the IEPA thereafter engaged in discussions, during which additional clarifying information about the equipment on Aqua's petition was exchanged. During those

discussions, Aqua indicated that it would not continue to contest the IEPA's denial of certification for the two 2-stage upflow clarifiers and the six rapid-rate gravity dual media filters.

- 5. Aqua and the IEPA filed a Joint Statement of Stipulated Facts with the IPCB on December 4, 2003.
- 6. IEPA served an Amended Recommendation on January 5, 2004, which recommended approval of certification for Aqua's three 3-million gallon sludge lagoons and its 4-million gallon settling basin.
- 7. Since IEPA filed its Amended Recommendation, Aqua has learned that the remaining contested equipment on its tax certification application (specifically, the nitrate removal facility, the wet well/storage basin for ion exchange backwash, and the powdered activated carbon unit) are excluded from its tax base until 2010, under Illinois tax law regarding enterprise zones.
- 8. In light of the above facts, at this time Aqua no longer wishes to pursue its petition for administrative review with respect to the equipment remaining on its petition for which IEPA has not recommended granting tax certification status.

WHEREFORE, Aqua and the IEPA hereby request that the Board enter the attached Agreed Order, (1) granting tax certification for Aqua's three 3-million gallon sludge lagoons and its 4-million gallon settling basin, and (2) dismissing, without prejudice, Aqua's petition for administrative review with respect to its nitrate removal facility, wet well/storage basin for ion exchange backwash, powdered activated carbon unit, two 2-stage upflow clarifiers, and six rapid-rate gravity dual media filters, with leave to refile its application for tax certification with respect to these facilities in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

**DATED:** June 2, 2004

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#### **AGREED ORDER**

Upon the agreement of counsel for Aqua Illinois, Inc. ("Aqua"), formerly Consumers Illinois Water Company, and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("IEPA"), the Board hereby finds and certifies that the three 3-million gallon sludge lagoons and the 4-million gallon backwash waste settling basin, as identified in Aqua's petition for administrative review, are pollution control facilities as defined in Section 11-10 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/11-10 (2003)). Under Section 11-25 of the Property Tax Code, the effective date of this certificate is November 7, 2002, the date of the application for the certificate, because the construction of the facility was completed prior to the application. 35 ILCS 200/11-25 (2003); see also 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.216(a).

Upon the agreement of counsel for Aqua and IEPA, the Board hereby dismisses, without prejudice, Aqua's Petition for Administrative Review with respect to all remaining identified facilities. Aqua may refile an application for tax certification with respect to these facilities in the future. The docket in this matter is closed.

### IT IS SO ORDERED

ENTER: _		
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DATE:		

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