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### **Illinois Pollution Control Board Grants Provisional Variance to Dynegy Midwest Generation**

**Chicago** – On September 5, 2002, the Illinois Pollution Control Board granted a 45-day provisional variance from the daily maximum and monthly average total suspended solids effluent limits in Dynegy Midwest Generation's (Dynegy) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the 45-day period beginning September 2, 2002. The provisional variance will allow Dynegy to dredge the secondary cell of the plant's ash pond at its coal-fired generating system located near Baldwin in St. Clair and Randolph Counties.

On September 4, 2002, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) recommended that the Board grant the provisional variance. This request was docketed as PCB 03-027. The Board granted the provisional variance based on the IEPA's notification that compliance with the daily maximum and monthly average total suspended solid effluent limits would impose an arbitrary or unreasonable hardship on Dynegy. The applicable standards are contained in 35 Illinois Administrative Code 304.124(a) and its NPDES permit (IL0000043).

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