### BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
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PETITION OF MIDWEST	)	AS 19-1
GENERATION, LLC FOR AN	)	(Adjusted Standard – RCRA)
ADJUSTED STANDARD FROM 35 ILL.	)	
ADM. CODE PARTS 811 AND 814	)	

## **NOTICE OF FILING**

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today electronically filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board Petitioner, Midwest Generation, LLC's Response to Recommendation of the Illinois EPA to Petition for Adjusted Standard, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

Dated: April 8, 2019 MIDWEST GENERATION, LLC

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The undersigned, an attorney, certifies that a true copy of the foregoing Notice of Filing and Petitioner, Midwest Generation, LLC's Response to Recommendation of the Illinois EPA to Petition for Adjusted Standard was electronically filed on April 8, 2019 with the following:

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STANDARD FROM 35 ILL. ADM. CODE

**PARTS 811 and 814** 

AS 19-1 (Adjusted Standard)

MIDWEST GENERATION, LLC'S RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATION OF THE ILLINOIS EPA TO PETITION FOR ADJUSTED STANDARD

Midwest Generation, LLC ("MWGen"), by its undersigned counsel, and for its response to

Illinois EPA's Recommendation to Petition for Adjusted Standard ("Recommendation"), states as

follows:

1. Because the Illinois EPA clearly recommends that the Board grant MWGen's Petition for

Adjusted Standard ('Petition") (See Recommendation, pp. 2 and 5), MWGen requests the

Board accept Illinois EPA's recommendation and grant MWGen the relief requested on its

Petition.

2. Illinois EPA notes that the Petition did not include the effective date of the regulation of

general applicability. This response corrects that omission. The first effective date of

Section 811.314 was September 18, 1990. Section 811.314 has been amended numerous

times since. The most recent amendment to Section 811.314 was effective on November

19, 2018.

3. Illinois EPA also states that it does not agree that 811.314 is federally required. This issue

depends on whether more than just subparagraph (c) of Section 811.314 is at issue here.

According to Appendix B in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 811, Section 811.314 is based on 40 CFR

258.60 which regulates New Landfills. Lincoln Quarry is not a "New Landfill." The Board

Note at the end of Section 811.314 states:

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BOARD NOTE: Subsection (b)(4) is derived from 40 CFR 258.60(a) (2017). Subsection (d) is derived from 40 CFR

258.60(b)(3) (2017). Those segments of subsection (a) that relate to RD&D permits are derived from 40 CFR 258.4(b) (2017).

35 Ill. Adm. Code 811.314

The Board Note does not state that Section 811.314 applies only to New Landfills but it

also does not specifically mention subsection (c). Accordingly, some parts of Section

811.314 seem to be derived from federal rules that implement RCRA. Because the Petition

seeks an adjusted standard based on Section 811.314, but seeks to change the existing

adjusted standard only with respect to Section 811.314(c), it is not clear whether the

Petition is correctly characterized as seeking relief from a federally required rule. In the

broader sense, it is. In the narrower application of Section 811.314(c), it is not.

4. MWGen consulted with Illinois EPA, regarding its response. Illinois EPA informed

MWGen that it considers MWG's Petition as a request for an adjusted standard from

Section 811.314(c), and that specific Section is not promulgated to implement RCRA.

MWGen does not take issue with Illinois EPA's position.

WHEREFORE, Midwest Generation LLC requests that the Board grant its Petition for

Adjusted Standard to revise Condition 7(c) of its adjusted standard AS-96-9.

Respectfully submitted,

Midwest Generation, LLC

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