

**BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**

**DFI Finisher** )  
**(Property Identification Number** ) **PCB 20-**  
**15-15-02-300-002)** ) **(Tax Certification)**  
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**NOTICE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that I have today filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board an **APPEARANCE** and **RECOMMENDATION OF THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**, copies of which are herewith served upon you.


Victor DeBlock  
732 230<sup>th</sup> Street  
Viola, Illinois 61486

Don Brown, Clerk  
Illinois Pollution Control Board  
James R. Thompson Center  
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Chicago, Illinois 60601

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ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

By:   
Michael S. Roubitchek  
Assistant Counsel  
Division of Legal Counsel

DATED: October 31, 2019

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**A P P E A R A N C E**

The undersigned, as one of its attorneys, hereby enters an APPEARANCE on behalf of Respondent, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

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**RECOMMENDATION OF THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA") hereby files its Recommendation pursuant to Section 125.204 of the regulations of the Illinois Pollution Control Board ("Board"), 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.204.

1. On July 5, 2019, the Illinois EPA received a request from Victor DeBlock (log number TC-141469, Exhibit A) for an Illinois EPA recommendation regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.204.
2. The facility's address is:
 

DFI Finisher
2031 55 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
Aledo, IL 61231

The proposed water pollution control facilities in this request are located in the SW ¼ of Section 2, T13N, R3W of the 4th P.M. in Mercer County, at the above street address and consist of the following:

Livestock waste handling facilities consisting of two (2) concrete manure pits (each approximately 51 ft. x 391 ft. x 8 ft. deep), and the concrete slatted portion of the floor over the manure pits that capture and contain waste generated in the barns above.


These livestock waste management facilities are used to collect, transport, and/or store livestock waste prior to cropland application, and are further described in Exhibit A.

3. Section 11-10 of the Property Tax Code, 35 ILCS 200/11-10 (2014), and Section 125.200(a) of the Board's regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200(a), define "pollution control facilities" as:  

any system, method, construction, device or appliance appurtenant thereto or any portion of any building or equipment, that is designed, constructed, installed or operated for the primary purpose of: eliminating, preventing, or reducing air or water pollution ...or treating, pretreating, modifying or disposing of any potential solid, liquid or gaseous pollutant which if released without treatment, pretreatment modification or disposal might be harmful, detrimental or offensive to human, plant or animal life, or to property.
4. In order to receive preferential tax treatment as pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/11-5 (2014), pollution control facilities must be certified as such by the Board, 35 ILCS 200/11-20 (2014) and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200(a).
5. Upon receipt of a tax certification application, the Illinois EPA must file a recommendation on the application with the Board, 35 Ill Adm. Code 125.204(a).
6. Based on the information in the application and the purpose of the facility, it is the Illinois EPA's engineering judgment that the described facilities may be considered "pollution control facilities," pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200(a), with the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing water pollution, or as otherwise provided in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200, and are eligible for tax certification from the Board.

WHEREFORE, the Illinois EPA recommends that the Board issue the requested tax certification.

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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## ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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JB PRITZKER, GOVERNOR

JOHN J. KIM, DIRECTOR

# Memorandum

To: Charles Gunnarson, Division of Legal Counsel

From: Darin E. LeCrone, Manager, Industrial Unit, Permit Section *DEL*

Date: October 10, 2019

Re: DFI Finisher – Aledo  
Recommendation of Tax Certification  
Log# TC-141469  
Property Index# 15-15-02-300-002

The Bureau of Water received a request on July 5, 2019 from Victor DeBlock for an Illinois EPA recommendation regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.204. We offer the following recommendation.

The water pollution control facilities in this request include the following:

DFI Finisher  
2031 55<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Aledo, IL 61231

SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 2, T13N, R3W of the 4<sup>th</sup> PM in Mercer County

The livestock waste handling facilities consisting of two (2) concrete manure pits (approximately 51 ft. x 391 ft. x 8 ft. each), and the concrete slatted portion of the floor over the manure pits that capture and contain waste generated in the barns above. The facility collects, transports and stores livestock waste prior to cropland application.

The facility is further described in the enclosed applications and supporting documents.

Based on the information included in this submittal, it is our engineering judgment that the above proposed facilities may be considered "Pollution Control Facilities" under 35 IAC 125.200(a), with the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing water pollution, or as otherwise provided in this section, and therefore eligible for tax certification from the Illinois Pollution Control Board. The Bureau of Water therefore recommends that the Board issue the requested tax certification for these facilities.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Wei Han at 217/782-0610.

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cc: Tax Cert File

## Watershed Unit Tax Certification Review Sheet

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Project Name: DFI Finisher

Date: October 1, 2019

Reviewer: WH

Type:  Agchem  
 Livestock

Log number: TC-141469

Contact: John DeBlock  
2179 75<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Aledo, IL 61321  
Phone: 309-221-1243

Applicant: Victor DeBlock  
732 230<sup>th</sup> St..  
Viola, IL 61486

Property Index#: 15-15-02-300-002

Facility: DFI Finisher  
2031 55<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Aledo, IL 61231

Parcel#:

County: Mercer

Legal Description:  
SW of Section: 2 Twp: 13N R: 3W PM: 4<sup>th</sup>

Signature: Victor DeBlock

Title: Owner

Date Control Devices installed: 2011 & 2017

Wastes:  Livestock waste is applied to cropland.  
 Agrichemical rinsate and spillage is recycled through the facility and/or land applied.  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Physical Description of Pollution Control Devices:

The livestock waste handling facilities consist of two (2) concrete manure pits (approximately 51 ft. x 391 ft. x 8 ft. each) and the concrete slatted portion of the floor over the manure pits that capture and contain waste generated in the barns above. The facility collects, transports and stores livestock waste prior to cropland application.

Pollution control facilities requested by the applicant through Description of Pollution Control Facilities, Section C of the application form and the attached drawings.

two (2) concrete manure pits;  
Concrete slatted floor;

A diagram of the pit is shown by the application form. A process flow diagram is submitted by email of 09/22/2019.

Recommended Action: Issue tax certification.



# Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

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## Application for Certification (Property Tax Treatment) Pollution Control Facility

FOR AGENCY USE ONLY	
File Number: _____	Date Rec'd: _____
Certification Number: _____	Date: _____

Facility Type (check one):  Air  Water

This form is to be used for any application for certification of property tax treatment for a pollution control facility for air or water from the Illinois EPA. Separate applications must be completed for each control facility claimed. Do not mix types (air and water). Where both air and water operations are related, file two applications.

If attachments are needed, record them consecutively on an index sheet.

You may complete this form online, save a copy locally, print, sign and submit it to:

Illinois EPA  
 Attention: Ray E. Pilapil, Permit Section  
 Division of Air Pollution Control  
 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276  
 Springfield, IL 62794-9276

Illinois EPA  
 Attention: Al Keller, Permit Section  
 Division of Water Pollution Control  
 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276  
 Springfield, IL 62794-9276

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 BOW/WPC/PERMIT SECTION

### I. Applicant Information:

Company Name: _____	Person to Contact for Additional Details: <u>John DeBlock</u>
Person Authorized to Receive Certification: <u>Victor DeBlock</u>	Street Address: <u>2179 75th Ave</u>
Street Address: <u>732 230th St.</u>	City: <u>Aledo</u> State: <u>IL</u>
City: <u>Viola</u> State: <u>IL</u>	City: <u>Aledo</u> State: <u>IL</u>
Zip: <u>61486</u> Phone: <u>309-596-2482</u>	Zip: <u>61231</u> Phone: <u>309-221-1243</u>
Email Address: _____	Email Address: <u>jdeblock5@gmail.com</u>

### II. Facility Information:

Facility Location: Quarter Section: SW2 Township: T13N Range: R3W  
 Municipality: Aledo Township: Ohio Grove

Note: A plat map location is requested for facilities located outside of municipal boundaries.

Address: 2031 55th Ave City: Aledo  
 State: IL Zip Code: 61231 County: Mercer Book Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Property Index Number: 15-15-02-300-002

Note: The Property Index Number is the numerical reference used to identify a parcel of real property for assessment and taxation purposes.

### Manufacturing Operations Information:

Nature of Operations Conducted at the Above Location:

2 - 2400 head wean to finish barns for swine

### Permit Information:

WPC Construction Permit Number: _____	Date Issued: _____
NPDES Permit Number: _____	Date Issued: _____ Exp. Date: _____
APC Construction Permit Number: _____	Date Issued: _____
APC Operating Permit Number: _____	Date Issued: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Note: Submit copies of all relevant permits issued by local pollution control agencies. (e.g. MSD Construction Permit)

*This Agency is authorized to request this information under 415 ILCS 5/4(b)(2012). Disclosure of this information is voluntary and no penalties will result from the failure to provide the information. However, the absence of the information could prevent your application from being processed or could result in denial of your application.*



**Manufacturing Process Information:**


Please provide information on the manufacturing process and materials on which pollution control facility is used, including each major piece of equipment associated with the pollution control facility (or low sulfur dioxide emission coal fueled device).  
Description of the Process:

**Materials Used in the Process:**

**Pollution Control Facility Information:**

Please provide a narrative description of the pollution control facility (or low sulfur dioxide emission coal fueled device), and an explanation of why its primary purpose is to eliminate, prevent or reduce pollution. State the type of control facility, as well as a narrative description and a process flow diagram describing the pollution control facility. Include an average analysis of the influent and effluent of the control facility stating the collection efficiency, if applicable.

Describe the Pollution Control Facility (or Low Sulfur Dioxide Emission Coal Fueled Device):

There are 2 51ft x 391ft x 8ft concrete pits that collect swine waste and will not allow waste to enter ground water or runoff to nearby creeks.   


Describe the Primary Purpose of the Pollution Control Facility (or Low Sulfur Dioxide Emission Coal Fueled Device):

Identify the statute or regulation (federal or state), or local ordinance, if any, requiring the installation of the subject pollution control facility (or low sulfur dioxide emission coal fueled device).

**Nature of Contaminants or Pollutants:**

List air contaminants or water pollution substances released as effluents to the manufacturing processes. Also list the final disposal of any contaminants removed from the manufacturing processes.

Contaminant or Pollutant	Material Retained, Captured or Recovered	
	Description	Disposal or Use
Swine Manure	Swine Manure	Use as a crop fertilizer

Note: Contaminant or pollutant means that which is removed from the process by the pollution control facility.

**Point(s) of Waste Water Discharge:**

Identify the location of the discharge to the receiving stream. This will typically refer to a source of water pollution but can include water-carried wastes from air pollution control facilities.

Plans and Specifications Attached  Yes  No

Submit Drawings, which clearly show:

- (a) Point(s) of discharge to receiving stream; and
- (b) Sewers and process piping to and from the control facility.

Are contaminants (or residues) collected by the control facility?  Yes  No

Note: If the collected contaminants are disposed of other than as wastes, state the disposition of the materials, and the value dollars reclaimed by the sale or reuse of the collected substances. State the cost of reclamation and related expense.

**Project Status:**

Date Installation Completed: 2017

Provide the date the pollution control facility was first placed into service and operated. If not, explain.

*1st barn went into service in 2011 and the 2nd barn was placed into service Sept. 2017*

Status of installation on date of application:

*Complete*

**III. Verification and Signature:**

The following information is submitted in accordance with the Illinois Property Tax Code, as amended, and to the best of my knowledge is true and correct.

**Any person who knowingly makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent material statement, orally or in writing, to the Illinois EPA commits a Class 4 felony. A second or subsequent offense after conviction is a Class 3 felony. (415 ILCS 5/44(h))**

<i>Victor DeBlock</i>	<i>Owner</i>
Printed Name:	Title:

For incorporated entities, signature should be from an authorized corporate representative.

<i>Victor DeBlock</i>	<i>7-1-2019</i>
Signature:	Date:

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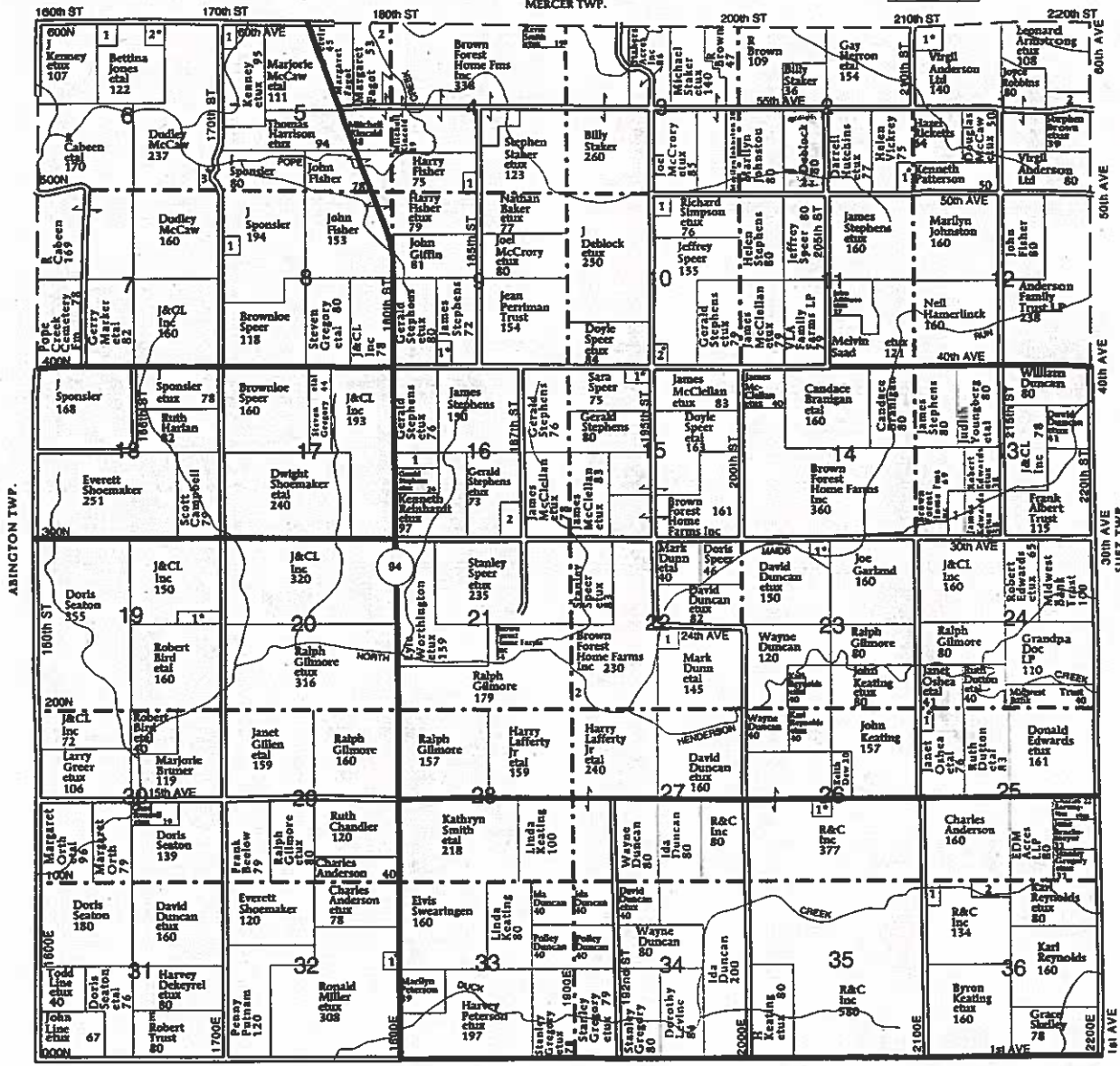
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## OHIO GROVE PLAT

(Landowners)



R-3-W



WARREN CO.

### OHIO GROVE TOWNSHIP

#### SECTION 1

1. Hays, William 15
2. Ricketta, Hazel 13

#### SECTION 2

1. Heartt, Aaron 5

#### SECTION 4

1. Fisher, John 6

#### SECTION 5

1. Mitchell, Scott 5

#### SECTION 7

1. Brown Forest Home Fms Inc 17

#### SECTION 8

1. Lower, Thomas 10
2. Barnhouse, David 10
3. McCaw, Douglas 5

#### SECTION 9

1. Kline, Lawrence 6

#### SECTION 9

1. Dunn, Mark 6

#### SECTION 10

1. Moore, Mary 5
2. McCraight, Roger 5

#### SECTION 13

1. Morby, Keith 15

#### SECTION 15

1. Tucker, Thomas 5

#### SECTION 16

1. Stephens, James 10

#### SECTION 24

1. Sunbeam Presbyterian Church 14

#### SECTION 19

1. Bird, Harry 10

#### SECTION 22

1. Gilmore, Ralph 10
2. Gilmore, Ralph 10

#### SECTION 23

1. Simpson, Jeffrey 10

#### SECTION 24

1. Potter, Mark 5

#### SECTION 26

1. Riddell, Terrence 6

#### SECTION 32

1. VanThourmont, Thomas 5

#### SECTION 36

1. Fall, Michael 8
2. Anderson, Charles 14

**Han, Wei**

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**From:** Han, Wei  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 25, 2019 4:15 PM  
**To:** jdeblock5@gmail.com  
**Subject:** TC-141496

Mr. DeBlock,

The Agency has received your application for tax certification for a swine facility located in Aledo, IL. The following information is needed in order to complete our review:

1. Name of the swine facility. This could be the name on your property tax bill.
2. The construction material (concrete, steel, etc.) of the slatted floor above the manure pit.
3. A diagram showing the flow of livestock waste from the initial animal waste collection or containment area through all pollution control facilities to final disposal on cropland.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Wei Han, P.E.  
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BOW/DWPC/Permit Section  
1021 North Grand Avenue E.  
P.O. Box 19276  
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Phone: 217-524-3034  
Email: [Wei.Han@Illinois.gov](mailto:Wei.Han@Illinois.gov)

**Han, Wei**

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**From:** John DeBlock <jdeblock5@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 22, 2019 3:00 PM  
**To:** Han, Wei  
**Subject:** [External] DFI Finisher

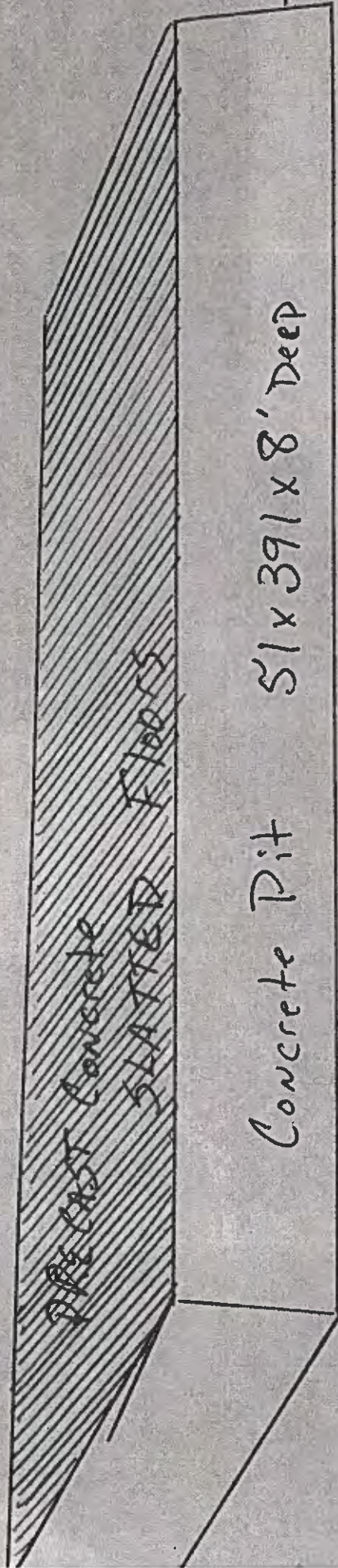
Subject for previous email is TC-14196  
John DeBlock



DFI Finisher  
2031 55th Ave  
Aledo, IL

Tax Bill goes to  
J. Victor DeBlock  
732 230th St.  
Viola, IL 61484

Crop ground



Precast Concrete

The livestock are above slatted floors with the animal waste go thru the slatted floors and into the concrete pit. The disposal waste will then be pumped out of pit and injected into crop ground to be used as crop fertilizer.



STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTY OF SANGAMON

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, the undersigned attorney at law, hereby certify that I have served on the date of October 31, 2019, the attached **NOTICE**, **APPEARANCE** and **RECOMMENDATION OF THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**, upon the following persons by causing to be mailed a true copy thereof in an envelope duly addressed, bearing proper first class postage, and deposited in the United States mail at Springfield, Illinois:

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