### BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

Sheffey Farms, Inc.	)
(Property Identification Number	) PCB 20-
02-17-15-200-004)	) (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 <u>APPEARANCE</u> and <u>RECOMMENDATION OF THE ILLINOIS</u>
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, copies of which are herewith served upon you.

Sheffey Farms Inc. c/o Scott Sheffey 9015 W. Block Road Pearl City, Illinois 61062

Don Brown, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board James R. Thompson Center 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 11-500 Chicago, Illinois 60601

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## **APPEARANCE**

The undersigned, as one of its attorneys, hereby enters an <u>APPEARANCE</u> 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.

- On May 17, 2018, the Illinois EPA received a request from Scott Sheffey on behalf of Sheffey Farms, Inc. (log number TC-142033, 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:

  Sheffey Farms, Inc.
  9015 W. Block Road
  Pearl City, IL 61062

The proposed water pollution control facility in this request is located in the NW ¼ of Section 10, T26N, R6E of the 4th P.M. in Stephenson County, at the above street address and consist of the following facilities:

Livestock waste handling facilities consisting of one (1) concrete manure pit approximately 201.66 ft. (length) x 101.83 ft. (width) x 8 ft. (depth) with eight (8) concrete pumpout pits approximately (6 ft. x 6 ft. x 8 ft. deep), the approximately 600 linear feet of foundation drainage pipe around the pit perimeter and the concrete slatted flooring over the entire area of the manure pit.

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

3. Section 11-10 of the Property Tax Code, 35 ILCS 200/11-10 (2018), 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 (2018), 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).
- 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 is eligible for tax certification from the Board.

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

### ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

By: Jacob H. Smith

Assistant Counsel

Division of Legal Counsel

Dated: December 24, 2019

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#### Memorandum

To:

Charles Gunnarson, Division of Legal Counsel

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

Date: December 4, 2019

Re:

Sheffey Farms Inc. - Pearl City

Recommendation of Tax Certification

Log # TC-142033

BOW ID # W1778080006

Property Identification # 0217-15-200-004

The Bureau of Water received a request on May 17, 2018 from Sheffey Farms Inc. for an Illinois EPA recommendation regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities pursuant to 35 II. Adm. Code 125.204. We offer the following recommendation.

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

Sheffey Farms Inc. 9015 W. Block Road Pearl City, IL 61062

NW 1/4 of Section 10, Township 26-North, Range 6-East of the East 4th PM in Stephenson County.

Livestock waste management facilities consisting of one concrete manure pit approximately 201.66 ft. (length) x 101.83 ft. (width) x 8 ft. (depth) with 8 concrete pump out pits approximately (6 ft. x 6 ft. x 8 ft. deep), the approximately 600 linear feet of foundation drainage pipe around the pit perimeter and the concrete slatted flooring over the entire area of the manure pit.

These livestock waste management facilities are used to collect, transport and/or store livestock wastes prior to cropland application.

These facilities are 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 Darren Gove at 217/782-0610.

DRG:TC-142033 Tax Cert Recommendation 17May18.docx

cc:

Tax Cert File

## Illinois EPA - Bureau of Water - Division of Pollution Control Title 35 Subtitle A Part 125 Tax Certifications Illinois EPA Review Notes for:

# Agency Recommendation of Pollution Control Facilities.

**BOW ID** #: W1778080006

Project Name: Sheffey Farms Inc.

Date application received: 5/17/2018

Reviewer: DRG

Log number: TC-142033

Legal Description:

NW 1/4 of Section 10 Twp: 26-North Range: 6-

East PM: East 4th

County: Stephenson

Facility Contact: Nicole Sheffey

**Phone**: 815-541-4111

**Pollution Control Facility Type:** 

Swine Livestock Waste Management Facility

Property ID: 0217-15-200-004

Applicant: Sheffey Farms Inc.

9015 W. Block Road Pearl City, IL 61062

Facility: Sheffey Farms Inc.

9015 W. Block Road Pearl City, IL 61062

Date Control Devices installed: 11/22/2013

Application Signature by: Scott Sheffey

Title: Manager/President

Contents of Application: 3 page form, construction plan and section drawings and process flow diagram,

others.

Is there a pollutant control flow diagram? Yes

Is there sufficient diagrams showing the pollution control facilities? Yes

This facility generates the following pollutants and prevents their discharge as indicated:

Livestock waste is collected and land applied to cropland.

## Physical description of pollution control facilities that ARE recommended:

Livestock waste management facilities consisting of one concrete manure pit approximately 201.66 ft. (length) x 101.83 ft. (width) x 8 ft. (depth) with 8 concrete pump out pits approximately (6 ft. x 6 ft. x 8 ft. deep), the approximately 600 linear feet of foundation drainage pipe around the pit perimeter and the concrete slatted flooring over the entire area of the manure pit.

These livestock waste management facilities are used to collect, transport and/or store livestock wastes prior to cropland application.

### Notes:

This application was submitted with the application for a hog building located at 9383 W. Pearl City Road (TC-139731). The application was received and logged in as a single application without acknowledging the distinction in address and PIN. During review it was also not recognized as a distinct

Illinois EPA Log #: TC-142033 Page 2 of 2

application due to its similarity and was recognized as a duplicate application as is a typical practice by applicants. Ergo, certification was recommended only for the hog bldg at above mentioned address. Upon DLCs review it was noted that the file contained not duplicate but distinct applications. Note to record that the application form instruictions must emphasize that facilities which have distinct PINs must be separately submitted.

Nothing follows - DRG - (December 2, 2019)



# Illinois Environmental Protection Age ncy

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

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		1021	North Grand Aver	nue East. P.O.	IEPA NPC / PERMIT SECTION BOX 19276
			gfield, IL 62794-9		10270
I. Applicant Info	rmation:				
Company Name:	Sheffey Farms Inc				
Person Authorized to		Per	son to Contact	· ·	5
Receive Certification	Scott Sheffey	in for	Additional Details	Nicole Sho	effey
Street Address:	9015 W. Block Rd.	Stre	et Address: 9015	W. Block Rd	·
City:	Pearl City S	State: <u>IL</u> City	: Pear	1 City	State: IL
<b>Zip</b> :	61062 Phone: 8	15-541-4111 Zip:	6106	32	Phone: 815-541-6911
Email Address:	snsheffey@gmail.com	Em	ail Address: <u>snsh</u>	effey@gmail.	com
II. Facility Inform	ation:				
Facility Location: Qu	arter Section: NE15 Town	nship: <u>26N</u>	_ Range: 6E		
Mu	nicipality:	57	Township: Lora	an	
Note: A plat map loca	tion is requested for facilities k	ocated outside of m	unicipal boundari	es.	
Address: 9015 W. Bk	ock Rd.		_ City:Pearl City		
State: IL Zip Code	: 61062 County: S	tephenson	Book Number:	LF17705200	000
Property Index Numb	er: 0217-15-200-004				
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NPDES Permit Numb			Date Issued:6-10		Exp. Date: 7-31-2013
APC Construction Pe	rmit Number:		Date Issued:		
APC Operating Perm			Date Issued:		Exp. Date:
Note: Submit copies of	of all relevant permits issued by	y local pollution cor	trol agencies. (e	g. MSD Cons	truction Permit)

IL 532-0222 APC 151 4/2016

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.

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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 O Yes O 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: 11-22-2013
Provide the date the pollution control facility was first placed into service and operated. If not, explain.
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Status of installation on date of application:
in working condition
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))
Scott G Sheffey Vice President
For incorporated entities, signature should be from an authorized corporate representative.    5/1/18   Date:

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# PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER CERTIFICATION FORM

for

## ALTERNATIVE DESIGN

I certify that the design of the proposed facility structure's interior wall, including the location and placement of the connection dowels to the structure floor, is at least as protective of the groundwater, surface water, and the structural integrity of the livestock waste management facility as the stated requirements of the *Livestock Management Facilities Act* and MidWest Plan Service (MWPS-36) *Concrete Manure Storages Handbook*.

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P.E. Seal

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	Springfield, IL 62707
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Signature	1 West
Date:	June 6, 2013





# PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER CERTIFICATION FORM

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# ALTERNATIVE DESIGN OF PRECAST CONCRETE SLATS

I certify that the design of the precast concrete slats manufactured by Hog Slat, Inc. for the Sheffey Farms facility, including reinforcement placement as detailed in the attached Frank & West, Inc. drawing (drawing # 01-13801F), is at least as protective of the groundwater, surface water, and the structural integrity of the livestock waste management facility as the stated requirements of the Livestock Management Facilities Act and MidWest Plan Service (MWPS-36) Concrete Manure Storages Handbook.

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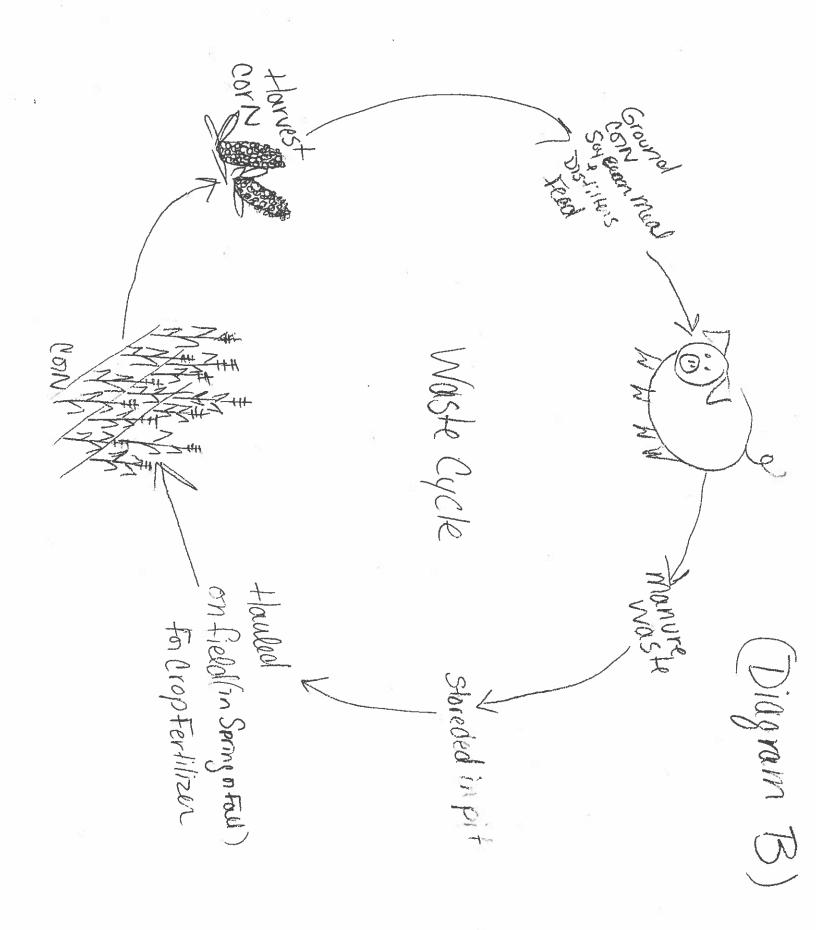
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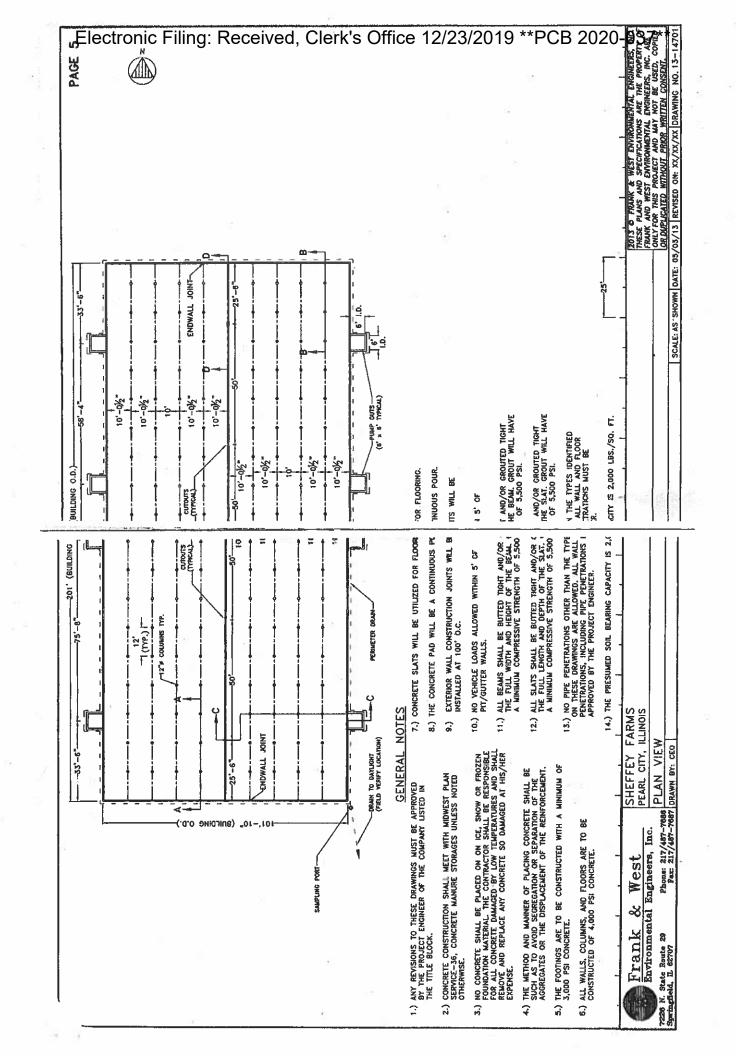
I certify that the design of the precast concrete beams manufactured by Hog Slat, Inc. the <u>Sheffey Farms</u> facility, including reinforcement placement as detailed in the attached Frank & West, Inc. drawing (drawing # 01-13802R), is at least as protective of the groundwater, surface water, and the structural integrity of the livestock waste management facility as the stated requirements of the *Livestock Management Facilities Act* and MidWest Plan Service (MWPS-36) *Concrete Manure Storages Handbook*.

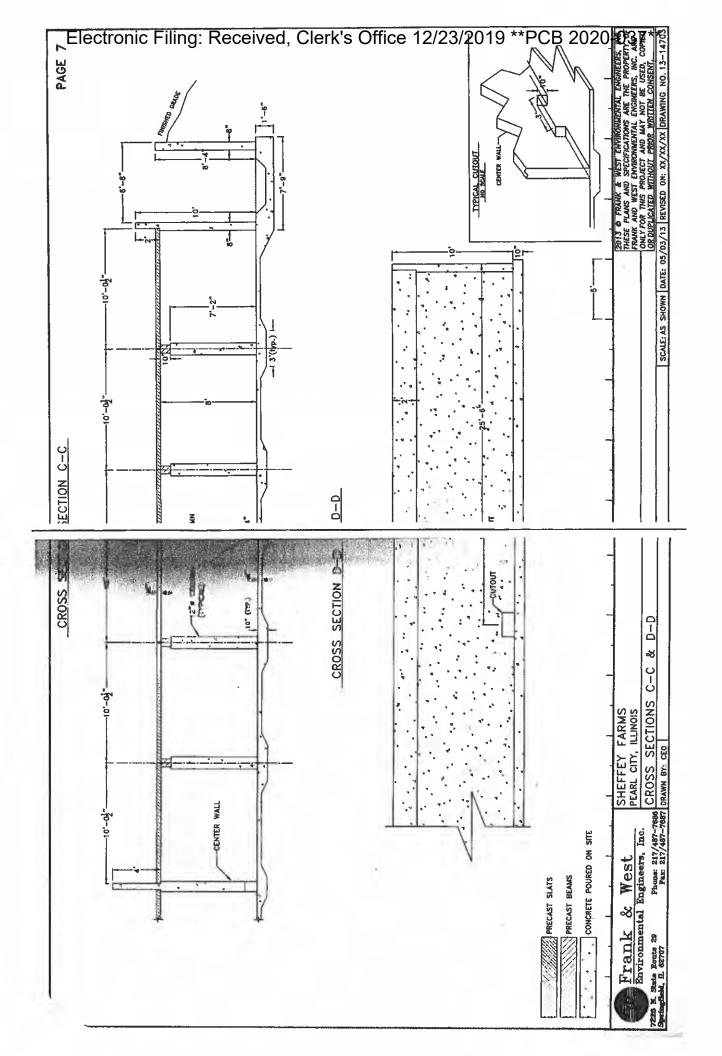
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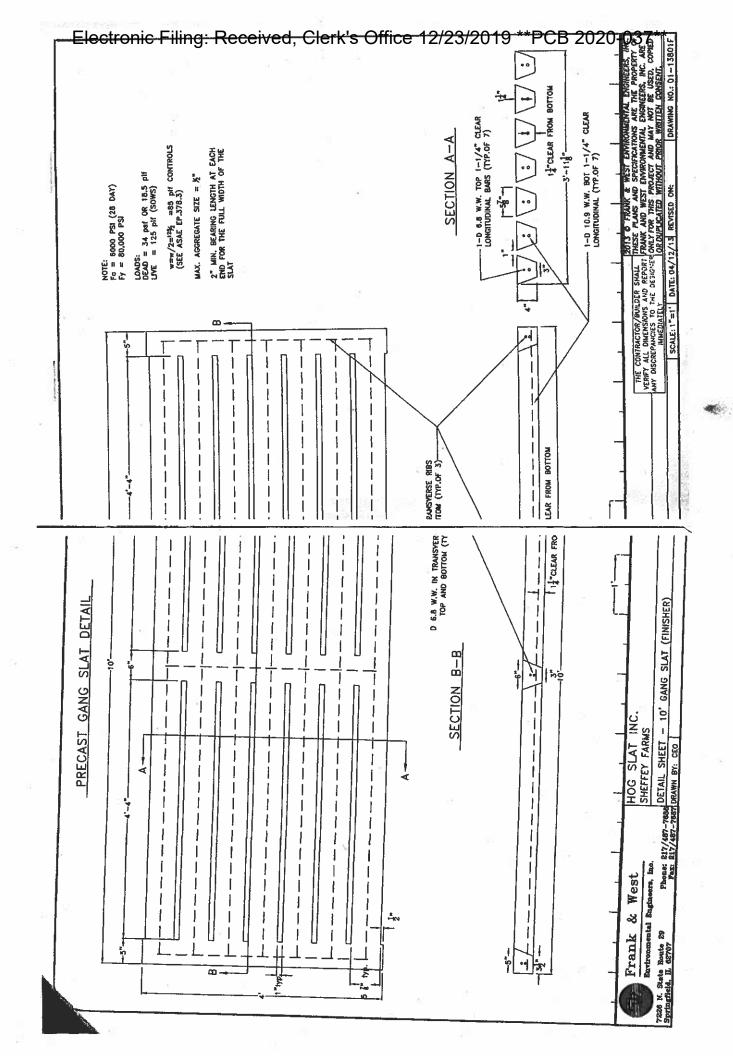
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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, the undersigned attorney at law, hereby certify that I have served on the date of December 24, 2019, the attached <u>APPEARANCE</u> and <u>RECOMMENDATION OF THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL</u>

<u>PROTECTION AGENCY</u>, 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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