## ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD June 18, 2020

| PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,  | ) |                                  |
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| Complainant,  | ) |                                  |
| v   | ) | PCB 20-77<br>(Enforcement – Air) |
| GREENBRIER RAIL SERVICES, CORP.,<br>d/b/a GUNDERSON RAIL SERVICES, LLC, | ) |                                  |
| an Oregon limited liability corporation,                                | ) |                                  |
| Respondent.   | ) |                                  |
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## ORDER OF THE BOARD (by B.K. Carter):

On May 27, 2020, the Office of the Attorney General, on behalf of the People of the State of Illinois (People), filed a two-count complaint against Greenbrier Rail Services (Greenbrier). The complaint concerns Greenbrier's rail car wheelset repair and refurbishment facility at 1545 State Street, Chicago Heights, Cook County. The parties now seek to settle without a hearing. For the reasons below, the Board directs the Clerk to provide public notice of the parties' stipulation, proposed settlement, and request for relief from the hearing requirement.

Under the Environmental Protection Act (Act) (415 ILCS 5 (2018)), the Attorney General and the State's Attorneys may bring actions before the Board to enforce Illinois' environmental requirements on behalf of the People. *See* 415 ILCS 5/31 (2018); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.

In this case, the People allege that Greenbrier violated Section 9(a) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/9(a) (2018), Section 201.302(a) of the Board Air Pollution Regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 201.302(a), and Sections 254.132(a) and 254.137(a) of the Illinois EPA Air Pollution Regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 254.132(a) and 254.137(a) by failing to timely submit a complete and accurate emissions report for 2018 and by failing to submit complete and accurate annual emissions reports for 2016 and 2017.

On May 27, 2020, the People and Greenbrier filed a stipulation and proposed settlement, accompanied by a request for relief from the hearing requirement of Section 31(c)(1) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(1) (2018)). This filing is authorized by Section 31(c)(2) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2018)), which requires that the public have an opportunity to request a hearing whenever the State and a respondent propose settling an enforcement action without a public hearing. *See* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(a). Under the proposed stipulation, the Greenbrier neither admits nor denies the alleged violations and agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$10,000.00.

Unless the Board determines that a hearing is needed, the Board must cause notice of the stipulation, proposed settlement, and request for relief from the hearing requirement. Any person may file a written demand for hearing within 21 days after receiving the notice. If anyone timely files a written demand for hearing, the Board will deny the parties' request for relief and hold a hearing. *See* 415 ILCS 5/31(c)(2) (2018); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.300(b), (c). The Board directs the Clerk to provide the required notice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Don A. Brown, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on June 18, 2020, by a vote of 4-0.

Don a. Brown

Don A. Brown, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board