## **BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**

SHREE KUBER, INC.,	
Petitioner,	
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v.	
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	
AGENCY,	
Respondent.	
Respondent.	,

PCB 21-(LUST Appeal – Ninety Day Extension)

#### NOTICE

Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 11-500 Chicago, Illinois 60601-3218 Jennifer M. Martin HeplerBroom 4340 Acer Grove Drive Springfield, Illinois 62711

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today caused to be filed a REQUEST FOR NINETY DAY EXTENSION OF APPEAL PERIOD with the Illinois Pollution Control Board, copies of which are served upon you.

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

James G. Richardson Deputy General Counsel Dated: July 23, 2020 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276 217/782-5544

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## REQUEST FOR NINETY DAY EXTENSION OF APPEAL PERIOD

NOW COMES the Respondent, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA"), by one of its attorneys, James G. Richardson, Deputy General Counsel, and, pursuant to Section 40(a)(1) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1)) and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.208, hereby requests that the Illinois Pollution Control Board ("Board") grant an extension of the thirty-five (35) day period for petitioning for a hearing to November 3, 2020, or any other date not more than a total of one hundred twenty-five (125) days from the date of receipt of the Illinois EPA's final decision. In support thereof, the Illinois EPA respectfully states as follows:

1. On or about June 30, 2020, the Illinois EPA issued a final decision to the Petitioner.

2. On July 21, 2020, the Petitioner made a written request to the Illinois EPA for an extension of time by which to file a petition for review, asking the Illinois EPA to join in requesting that the Board extend the thirty-five day period for filing a petition by ninety days. Upon information and belief, Petitioner received the final decision on or about July 1, 2020.

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3. The additional time requested by the parties may eliminate the need for a hearing in this matter or, in the alternative, allow the parties to identify issues and limit the scope of any hearing that may be necessary to resolve this matter.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, the parties request that the Board, in the interest of administrative and judicial economy, grant this request for a ninety-day extension of the thirty-five day period for petitioning for a hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

James G. Richardson Deputy General Counsel

Dated: July 23, 2020

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Shree Kuber, Inc. c/o Green Wave Consulting 4440 Ash Grove Drive Springfield, IL 62711

Re: 0190105433 -- Champaign County Champaign/Shree Kuber, Inc. 1406 North Prospect Avenue Incident-Claim No.: 20200005 -- 71033 Queue Date: March 17, 2020 Leaking UST Fiscal File

To whom it may concern:

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) has completed the review of your application for payment from the Underground Storage Tank (UST) Fund for the above-referenced Leaking UST incident pursuant to Section 57.8(a) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5) (Act) and 35 Illinois Administrative Code (35 Ill. Adm. Code) 734.Subpart F.

This information is dated March 16, 2020 and was received by the Illinois EPA on March 17, 2020. The application for payment covers the period from January 8, 2020 to March 16, 2020. The amount requested is \$46,809.00.

On March 17, 2020, the Illinois EPA received your application for payment for this claim. As a result of the Illinois EPA's review of this application for payment, a voucher cannot be prepared for submission to the Comptroller's office for payment. Subsequent applications for payment that have been/are submitted will be processed based upon the date subsequent application for payment requests are received by the Illinois EPA. This constitutes the Illinois EPA's final action with regard to the above application(s) for payment.

There are costs from this claim that are not being paid. Listed in Attachment A are the costs that are not being paid and the reasons these costs are not being paid.

An underground storage tank system owner or operator may appeal this decision to the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Appeal rights are attached.

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If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Jennifer Rossi of my staff at (217) 782-9285.

Sincerely, igen hud

Gregory W. Dunn, Manager Leaking Underground Storage Tank Program Remedial Project Management Section Bureau of Land

Attachments: Attachment A Appeal Rights

c: Sunil Modi, Shree Kuber, Inc. Leaking UST Claims Unit

### Attachment A Accounting Deductions

Re: 0190105433 -- Champaign County Champaign/Shree Kuber, Inc. 1406 North Prospect Avenue Incident-Claim No.: 20200005 -- 71033 Queue Date: March 17, 2020 Leaking UST Fiscal File

Citations in this attachment are from the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5) (Act) and 35 Illinois Administrative Code (35 Ill. Adm. Code).

Description of Deductions

\$46,809.00, deduction for costs for that are inconsistent with the associated technical plan. One of the overall goals of the financial review is to assure that costs associated with materials, activities, and services are consistent with the associated technical plan. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.510(b).

Based on the information currently in the Illinois EPA's possession, incident 20200005 is a re-reporting of incident 20080255. Corrective Action Plans for incident 20080255 have been approved by the Illinois EPA in letters dated August 22, 2013 and August 28, 2013. In addition, a Corrective Action Plan and associated budget were modified by the Illinois EPA in a letter dated June 6, 2018. Moreover, an additional Corrective Action Plan dated May 7, 2020 was received by the Illinois EPA on May 15, 2020.

Additionally, these costs lack supporting documentation. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.630(cc). Since there is no supporting documentation of costs, the Illinois EPA cannot determine that costs will not be used for activities in excess of those necessary to meet the minimum requirements of Title XVI of the Act. Therefore, such costs are not approved pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act because they may be used for site investigation or corrective action activities in excess of those required to meet the minimum requirements of Title XVI of the Act.

Furthermore, these costs submitted as early action costs are not reasonable as submitted. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.630(ee).

#### Appeal Rights

An underground storage tank owner or operator may appeal this final decision to the Illinois Pollution Control Board pursuant to Sections 40 and 57.7(c)(4) of the Act by filing a petition for a hearing within 35 days after the date of issuance of the final decision. However, the 35-day period may be extended for a period not to exceed 90 days by written notice from the owner or operator and the Illinois EPA within the initial 35-day appeal period. If the owner or operator wishes to receive a 90-day extension, a written request that includes a statement of the date the final decision was received, along with a copy of this decision, must be sent to the Illinois EPA as soon as possible.

For information regarding the filing of an appeal, please contact:

Clerk of the Board Illinois Pollution Control Board James R. Thompson Center 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500 Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 814-3620

For information regarding the filing of an extension, please contact:

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, the undersigned attorney at law, hereby certify that on July 23, 2020 I served true and correct copies of a REQUEST FOR NINETY DAY EXTENSION OF APPEAL PERIOD by the methods and to the persons identified below:

### Electronic Service

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