BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

MIDWEST GENERATION, LLC)	
Petitioner,)	PCB 2021-108
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY))	
Respondents,)	

NOTICE OF FILING

To: See attached service list.

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 Certificate of Publication, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

Dated: June 1, 2021 MIDWEST GENERATION, LLC

By: /s/ Kristen L. Gale

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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 Certificate of Publication was electronically filed on June 1, 2021 with the following:

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and that a true copy was e-mailed on June 1, 2021 to the parties listed on the above foregoing Service List.

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PROOF OF PETITION NOTICE

Midwest Generation, LLC, through its undersigned attorney, hereby files its proof of petition notice pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 104.214. Midwest Generation, LLC filed its petition in this matter on May 11, 2021, and caused publication of notice of the filing of that petition in the Joliet Herald-News on May 17, 2021. The Certificate of Publication is attached.

Respectfully submitted, MIDWEST GENERATION, LLC

By: <u>/s/ Kristen L. Gale</u>

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On May 11, 2021, Midwest Generation, LLC ("Petitioner"), filed with the Illinois Pollution Control Board (the "Board") a petition for a variance under Title IX of the Environmental Protection Act ("Act"). Variances may be granted pursuant to Section 35 of the Act (415 ILCS 5/35) and 35 III. Adm. Code \$ 104. The variance concerns Petitioner's Will County Generating Station (529 E. 135th Street, Romeoville, IL 60446).

petition seeks a five-month extension for collection of groundwater sampling data and submission of the operating permit application for two inactive coal combustion residual ponds at the Will County Station, which is required under the 35 Illinois Administrative Code Part 845 rules regulating the Dispusur of Coal Combustion Residuals in Surface Impoundments that were adopted by the Roard on April 15, 2021 Board on April 15, 2021 and effective on April 21, 2021. See Standards for the Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals Proposed Impoundments: New 35 III. Adm. Code 845, PCB R20-19 (Apr. 15, 2021). The petition also seeks an extension of the deadline for the two inactive ponds to identify the closure prioritization category and submit the construction submit the construction permit application required under the 35 Illinois Administrative Code Part 845 rules. which are dependent upon the results of groundwater sampling data. The petition, if granted, would provide Petitioner relief from the short regulatory deadlines for the inactive tive ponds, allowing Petitioner to collect representative groundwater data, submit accurate permit applications, and identify the accurate closure prioritization category.

Any person may cause a public hearing to be held

Any person may cause a public hearing to be held in the above-described variance proceeding by filing a written objection to the petition and hearing request with the Illinois Pollution Control Board within 21 days after the date of the publication of this notice. The hearing request should clearly indicate the docket

number for the variance proceeding - PCB 2021-108 - as found in this notice. The hearing request must be mailed to the Clerk of the Board, Illinois Pollution Control Board, 100 W. Randolph Street, Suite 11-500, Chicago, Illinois 60601, or filled electronically through COOL, which is located on the Board's website

the Board's website (www.pcb.illinois.gov). The Clerk's phone number is 312-814-3461. A copy of the variance petition may be obtained through the Clerk's Office or COOL, which is located on the Board's website.

The Illinois EPA is prepara recommendation regarding this petition and is seeking comments of persons who may be adversely affected by the variance. The Illinois EPA is to file its recommendation within forty-five (45) days after the filing of the petition (June 25, 2021). All comments and inquires must be sent within twenty-one (21) days after the date of the publication of this notice. Address any comments or inquiries to: Division of Legal Counsel, Illinois Environmental Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, 1021 N. Grand Ave. East, P.O. Box 19276. Springfield, IL 62794-9276; Email: epa.dlc@lilinois.gov; Phone: (217)782-5544.

A hearing may be held after the filling of the Illinois EPA recommendation. The record of this proceeding will remain open for written comment for forty-five (45) days after the filling of the Illinois EPA recommendation. Comments must be mailed to the Board at the above address for the Clerk of the Board.

The record in this variance proceeding is available at the Board office for inspection, except those portions that are protected from disclosure under 35 III. Adm. Code § 130. Procedures for seeking public disclosure of these documents are available.

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