

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

Porcine Farms, LLC - Galesburg)	
(Property Identification Number)	PCB No. 25 -
46-30-100-002))	(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.

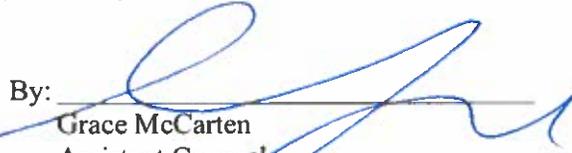
Porcine Farms, LLC - Galesburg
Brian Robinson
22 Knox Road 1400 N
Galesburg, Illinois 61401

Don Brown, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board
60 E. Van Buren St., Ste. 630
Chicago, Illinois 60605

Copies also provided electronically as follows:

Illinois Department of Revenue
via email at REV.PropTaxApp@illinois.gov
101 West Jefferson
P.O. Box 19033
Springfield, Illinois 62794

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

By: 
 Grace McCarten
 Assistant Counsel
 Division of Legal Counsel

DATED: January 22, 2025

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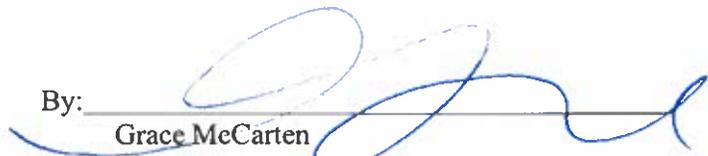
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A P P E A R A N C E

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 April 22, 2021, the Illinois EPA received a request from Porcine Farms, LLC - Galesburg (Log number TC-143930, 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: Porcine Farms, LLC - Galesburg
22 Knox Road 1400 N
Galesburg, Illinois 61401

The proposed water pollution control facilities in this request are located in the NW ¼ of Section 30, T11N, R1E of the 4th P.M. in Knox County, at the above street address and consist of the following livestock waste management structures:

One (1) concrete livestock waste pit measuring 260 ft. (length) x 44 ft. (width) x 8 ft. (depth), with (1) one 4 ft. (length) x 4 ft. (width) x 8 ft. (depth) concrete pump out pit and the concrete slatted portion of the floor over the manure pit that captures and contains waste generated in the barn above. The facility collects, transports and stores livestock waste prior to cropland application.

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

3. Section 11-10 of the Property Tax Code, 35 ILCS 200/11-10 (2022), 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 (2022), pollution control facilities must be certified as such by the Board, 35 ILCS 200/11-20 (2022) 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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Grace McCarten
Assistant Counsel
Division of Legal Counsel

Dated: January 22, 2025

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ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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JB PRITZKER, GOVERNOR

JAMES JENNINGS, ACTING DIRECTOR

Memorandum

To: Mike Roubitchek, Division of Legal Counsel

From: Darin LeCrone, P.E., Manager, Permit Section, Division of Water Pollution Control, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency *DL*

Date: JAN 03 2024

Re: Porcine Farms, LLC – Galesburg
Recommendation of Tax Certification
BOW ID #: W0958040015
Log # TC-143930
Property Index# 46-30-100-002

The Bureau of Water received a request on April 22, 2021 from Brian Robinson having a principal place of business at 22 Knox Road 1400 N in Galesburg, Illinois 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:

Porcine Farms, LLC
22 Knox Road 1400 N
Galesburg, IL 61401

NW ¼ of Section 30, T11N, R1E of the 4th PM in Knox County

The livestock waste handling facilities consisting of one (1) concrete manure pit (approximately 44 ft. x 260 ft. x 8 ft.), and the concrete slatted portion of the floor over the manure pit that capture and contain waste generated in the barn above, as well as one (1) pumpout pit (approximately 4 ft. x 4 ft. x 8 ft.). 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 Sarah Coulton at 217/782-0610.

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cc: Tax Cert File

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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 #: W0958040015

Project Name: Porcine Farms LLC

Date application received: 4/22/2021

Reviewer: SC

Log number: TC-143930

Legal Description:
NW 30 Twp: 11N Range: 1E

County: Knox

Facility Contact:
Same as applicant

Phone: 309-337-1600

Email: brianr@porcinefarms.com

Contents of Application: Form, drawing, map, responses

Pollution Control Facility Type:

Swine Livestock Waste Management Facility

Property ID: 46-30-100-002

Applicant: Brian Robinson

22 Knox Rd 1400 N

Galesburg, IL 61401

Facility: Porcine Farms LLC

22 Knox Rd 1400 N

Galesburg, IL 61401

Date Control Devices installed: 1997

Application Signature by: Brian Robinson

Title: Owner

Is there a pollutant control flow diagram? Choose an item. **Yes**

Is there sufficient diagrams showing the pollution control facilities? Choose an item. **Yes**

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

~~Bulk agricultural fertilizer and or pesticide rinsate and spillage is recycled at the facility and/or land applied to crop land.~~

Livestock waste collected and land applied

Physical description of pollution control facilities that ARE recommended:

The livestock waste handling facilities consist of one concrete manure deep pit (approximately 260 ft. x 44 ft. x 8 ft.), concrete slatted portion over the manure pit, and the deep pumpout pit (approximately 4 ft. x 4 ft. x 8 ft.). 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 2 of the application form and the attachments.

One (1) concrete manure pit;

Concrete slatted floor; and

One (1) pumpout pit

Illinois EPA Log #: TC-143930

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In addition to the above described facilities, the Agency determined that the following facilities ARE NOT pollution control facilities according to § 125.200 having 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 pretreatment, treatment, modification or disposal might be harmful, detrimental or offensive to human, plant or animal life, or to property and therefore ARE NOT recommended.

Not applicable.

Notes:

Nothing follows – SC - (November 7, 2024)



Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

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Application for Certification (Property Tax Treatment) Pollution Control Facility

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

I. Applicant Information:

Company Name: <u>Porcine Farms, LLC</u>	Person to Contact for Additional Details: <u>BRIAN (SAME)</u>
Person Authorized to Receive Certification: <u>Brian Robinson</u>	Street Address: <u>22 KNOX ROAD 1400N</u>
Street Address: <u>22 Knox Road 1400 N</u>	City: <u>GALESBURG</u> State: <u>IL</u>
City: <u>Galesburg</u> State: <u>IL</u>	Zip: <u>61401</u> Phone: <u>309-337-1600</u>
Zip: <u>61401</u> Phone: <u>309-337-1600</u>	Email Address: <u>brianr@porcinefarms.com</u>
Email Address: <u>brianr@porcinefarms.com</u>	

II. Facility Information:

Facility Location: Quarter Section: NW 30 Township: 11N Range: 1E
Municipality: GALESBURG, IL Township: GALESBURG TOWNSHIP

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

Address: 22 KNOX RD 1400N City: GALESBURG, IL 61401
State: IL Zip Code: 61401 County: KNOX Book Number: _____
Property Index Number: 46-30-100-002

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:

Raise hogs, livestock production on concrete slats over non-permeable concrete manure pits

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:

Hogs are raised in this facility from 80th - 280th on concrete slats that were cast in place over a 8' deep, non-permeable concrete pit 44' wide x 260' long.

Materials Used in the Process:

Concrete and 1/2" re-bar. Slats and pit walls and pit floor/footings were all cast in place.

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):

The purpose of this facility is to catch 100% of all feces and effluent from the hogs, so none of it reaches groundwater. In the fall we can pump it out and inject it in farm fields for corn production.

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

To catch, retain, and store all manure from all of the hogs in this finishing building. And then store it until the fall when it can be used as fertilizer.

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
Manure	Slurry	use as fertilizer, injected onto corn fields for the production of corn/soy beans

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

No Discharge

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:

Yes, we collect the manure and use it on our owned

Date Installation Completed: 1997 *farmground via manure injection*

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

1997- We had not applied on this individual building in the past, but are doing so now.

Status of installation on date of application:

The building was built in late 1996 and first put into use in early 1997. It is in very good shape and will serve us for years to come.

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))

Brian W. Robinson

Owner

Printed Name:

Title:

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

BWR

4-20-2021

Signature:

Date:

Aerial Map



Map Center: 40° 55' 1.15, -90° 26' 13.91



30-11N-1E
Knox County
Illinois



4/20/2021

Maps Provided By



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Field borders provided by Farm Service Agency as of 5/21/2008

FOR SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION
FOR EXISTING & EXPIRING
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END VIEW

Building is 256' long
8' deep pit
43' wide
pit dimensions
are:

8' deep
256' long
43' wide

Heels stand/sleep
in this floor

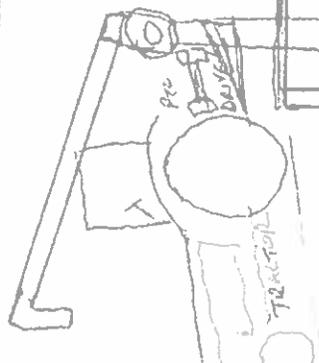
SLOTTED FLOOR
ACROSS WHOLE BUILDING

COVERED PIT Access for 8' long PTO 3pt Tractor pump/ag.tester

8' DEEP SUPPLY PIT EMPTIED 1-2 times per year

45' WIDE

Manne pump
spot fill our
TANKWAGON WITH
INJECTOR



4' x 4'
x 8' deep

- ① Tankwagon is Filled with utility tractor PTO pump.
- ② Tankwagon travels to fields that need fertilized for corn production.
- ③ Manure is injected for the next corn crop.

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 January 22, 2025, 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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