

BEFORE THE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
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SWEARINGIN AMOCO,

Petitioner

v.

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION AGENCY,

Respondent

PCB 03 - 157  
(UST Appeal)

NOTICE OF FILING

To: John Kim  
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Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
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P.O. Box 19276  
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

Dorothy Gunn  
Clerk of the Board  
Illinois Pollution Control Board  
James R. Thompson Center  
Suite 11-500  
100 West Randolph Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60601

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Monday, June 16, 2003, I filed with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board of the State of Illinois an original, executed copy of a Petition for Review of Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Decisions and Appearance for Carolyn S. Hesse.

Dated: June 16, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

By: Carolyn S. Hesse  
Carolyn S. Hesse

Carolyn S. Hesse, Esq.  
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**PETITION FOR REVIEW OF ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION AGENCY DECISIONS**

Swearingin Amoco by its attorney, Carolyn S. Hesse of Barnes & Thornburg, pursuant to the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, 415 ILCS 5/1 *et. seq.* (the "Act") and 35 Illinois Administrative Code Section 105.400 *et. seq.*, hereby appeals certain decisions by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (the "Agency").

1. Swearingin Services, Inc. does business as Swearingin Amoco ("Swearingin") and is the owner of property located at 503 South State Street, Jerseyville, Jersey County, Illinois. The site is a gasoline service station known as Swearingin Amoco that has underground storage tanks (USTs) on the property, which store gasoline and diesel fuel.
2. LUST Incident Number 830255015 was obtained following a site investigation.
3. On March 5, 2002, the Agency received Swearingin's request for reimbursement of costs from the Illinois Underground Storage Tank Fund (the "Request") for the

period from May 1, 1997 to March 31, 1998, in the amount of \$30,234.03.

4. The Agency denied certain costs in the Request in a letter dated February 10, 2003, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
5. Swearingin is appealing this February 10, 2003 denial because the Agency denied certain costs by claiming that the owner/operator failed to demonstrate that certain costs were reasonable.
6. Swearingin disagrees with the Agency's decision and believes that the costs submitted for reimbursement are corrective action costs, are reasonable and are the types of costs that are eligible for reimbursement under the Act and implementing regulations.
7. The Agency's letter denying reimbursement, Exhibit A, provides no further explanation of the Agency's reasons or bases for denial that could aid Petitioner in setting forth its grounds of appeal. Nevertheless, the Agency's denial is a final decision that Petitioner must appeal to the Board in order to preserve and enforce Petitioner's right to reimbursement under the UST Fund.
8. On March 20, 2003, the parties timely filed a joint notice to extend the appeal deadline. On April 3, 2003, the Board filed an order extending the appeal deadline until June 16, 2003, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B. Pursuant to the Board's April 3, 2003 order, this appeal is timely filed.

WHEREFORE, Swearingin Services, Inc., d/b/a Swearingin Amoco respectfully requests that the Board enter an order that will provide that it be reimbursed from the UST Fund for its submitted costs and for its attorneys fees and costs in bringing this appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

SWEARINGIN SERVICES, INC.,  
d/b/a SWEARINGIN AMOCO

By: Carolyn S. Hesse  
One of Its Attorneys

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ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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FEB 10 2003

Swearingin Services, Inc.  
Attention: Ronald Swearingin  
Post Office Box 571  
Carlinville, IL 62626

Re:    LPC #0830255015 -- Jersey County  
      Jerseyville/Swearingin Amoco  
      503 South State Street  
      LUST Incident #901084  
      LUST FISCAL FILE

Dear Mr. Swearingin:

The Agency has completed the review of the request for reimbursement of corrective action costs from the Illinois Underground Storage Tank Fund for the above-referenced facility. The invoices reviewed covered the period from May 1, 1997 to March 31, 1998. The amount requested was \$30,234.03.

The deductible amount for this claim is \$10,000.00, which was previously deducted from the Invoice Voucher dated December 18, 1990. Listed in Attachment A are the costs which are not being reimbursed from this request and the reasons these costs are not being reimbursed.

On March 5, 2002, the Agency received your complete request for payment for this claim. As a result of the Agency's review of this claim, a voucher for \$29,600.74 will be prepared for submission to the Comptroller's Office for payment as funds become available based upon the date the Agency received your complete request for payment of this claim. Subsequent claims that have been/are submitted will be processed based upon the date complete subsequent billings requests are received by the Agency.

This constitutes the Agency's final action with regard to the above invoices. An underground storage tank owner or operator may appeal this final decision to the Illinois Pollution Control Board (Board) pursuant to Section 22.18b(g) and Section 40 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 of time 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

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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:

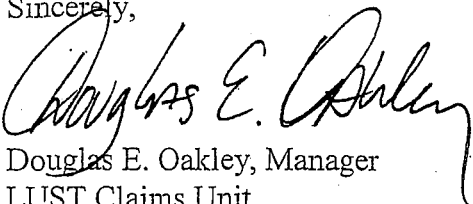
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For information regarding the filing of an extension, please contact:

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Division of Legal Counsel  
1021 North Grand Avenue East  
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217/782-5544

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Mably of my staff or Karl Kaiser of Cliff Wheeler's staff at 217/782-6762.

Sincerely,



Douglas E. Oakley, Manager  
LUST Claims Unit  
Planning & Reporting Section  
Bureau of Land

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Attachment

cc: CW3M Company

Attachment A  
Accounting Deductions

Re: LPC #0830255015 -- Jersey County  
Jerseyville/Swearingin Amoco  
503 South State Street  
LUST Incident #901084  
LUST FISCAL FILE

Item #      Description of Deductions

1.      \$123.75, deduction in costs that the owner/operator failed to demonstrate were reasonable (Section 22.18b(d)(4)(C) of the Environmental Protection Act).

CW3M Company-dated July 1997	\$15.75	Personnel
September 1997	\$16.00	Personnel
October 1997	\$47.00	Personnel
November 1997	\$16.00	Personnel
December 1997	\$29.00	Personnel

\$123.75 Total Accounting Deductions

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Attachment A  
Technical Deductions

Re: LPC #0830255015 -- Jersey County  
Jerseyville/Swearingin Amoco  
503 South State Street  
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Item #      Description of Deductions

1.            \$509.54, deduction in groundwater treatment system operation and maintenance costs that the owner/operator failed to demonstrate were reasonable (Section 22.18b(d)(4)(C) of the Environmental Protection Act).

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ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

April 3, 2003

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v.	)	PCB 03-157
	)	(UST Appeal)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL	)	(90-Day Extension)
PROTECTION AGENCY,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

ORDER OF THE BOARD (by T.E. Johnson):

On March 20, 2003, the parties timely filed a joint notice to extend the 35-day period within which Swearingin Amoco may appeal a February 10, 2003 determination of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Agency). See 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.206(c), 105.208(a), (c). Because the postmark date of the joint petition is within the time for filing, the petition was timely filed. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(b)(2), 105.404. At issue is an Agency partial denial of reimbursement of corrective action costs regarding Swearingin Amoco's leaking underground petroleum storage tank facility located at 503 South State Street, Jerseyville, Jersey County. The Board extends the appeal period until June 16, 2003, the first business day following the date requested by the parties. See 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.208(a). If Swearingin Amoco fails to file an appeal on or before that date, the Board will dismiss this case and close the docket.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above order on April 3, 2003, by a vote of 7-0.



Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk  
Illinois Pollution Control Board

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APPEARANCE

NOW COMES the undersigned, Carolyn S. Hesse, and enters an appearance for the  
Petitioner, SWEARINGIN AMOCO, in the above captioned matter.

Dated: June 16, 2003

Swearingin Services, Inc.,  
d/b/a Swearingin Amoco

By: Carolyn S. Hesse  
One of Its Attorneys

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**


I, on oath state that I have served the attached PETITION FOR REVIEW OF ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY DECISIONS and APPEARANCE for Carolyn S. Hesse by placing a copy in an envelope addressed to:

John Kim  
Special Assistant Attorney General  
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
1021 North Grand Avenue East  
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Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

via U.S. mail this 16th day of June, 2003.

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via Hand Delivery this 16th day of June, 2003.

  
Carolyn S. Hesse