

BEFORE THE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

ROYER OIL COMPANY,)
)
Petitioner,)
)
v.) PCB 03 - 180
) (UST Appeal)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)
PROTECTION AGENCY,)
)
Respondent.)

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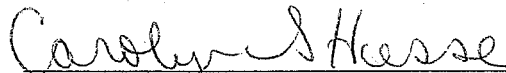
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the **Tuesday, July 1, 2003**, filed with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board of the State of Illinois an original, executed copy of a petition for Review of Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Decisions and Appearance for Carolyn S. Hesse.

Dated: July 1, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Royer Oil Company

By:



One of Its Attorneys

Carolyn S. Hesse
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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:


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Carolyn S. Hesse

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**PETITION FOR REVIEW OF ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY DECISIONS**

Royer Oil Company, 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. Royer Oil Company ("Royer") is the owner of property located at 200 South Third, Greenville, Bond County, Illinois. The site was a gasoline service station that had underground storage tanks (USTs) on the property, which stored gasoline and diesel fuel.
2. LUST Incident Number 0050055011 was obtained following a site investigation.
3. On July 18, 2002, the Agency received Royer's request for reimbursement of costs from the Illinois Underground Storage Tank Fund (the "Request") for the period from January 1, 1998 to September 30, 1998, in the amount of \$45,659.12.

4. The Agency denied certain costs in the Request in a letter dated February 25, 2003, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
5. Royer is appealing this February 25, 2003 denial because the Agency denied certain costs by claiming that the owner/operator failed to demonstrate that the costs were reasonable.
6. Royer disagrees with the Agency's decision and believes that the costs submitted for reimbursement are reasonable corrective action costs 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 April 2, 2003, the parties timely filed a joint notice to extend the appeal deadline. On April 17, 2003, the Board filed an order extending the appeal deadline until July 1, 2003, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B. Pursuant to the Board's April 17, 2003 order, this appeal is timely filed.

WHEREFORE, Royer Oil Company 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,

Royer Oil Company

By: Carolyn S. Hesse
One of Its Attorneys

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Royer Oil Company
Attn: Stephen Royer
911 Railroad Street
Greenville, Illinois 62246

Re: LPC #0050055011 -- Bond County
Greenville/Royer Oil Co.
200 South Third
LUST Incident #900202
LUST FISCAL FILE

Dear Mr. Royer:

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 January 1, 1998 to September 30, 1998. The amount requested was \$45,659.12.

The deductible amount for this claim is \$10,000.00, which was previously deducted from the Invoice Voucher dated August 5, 1996. 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 July 18, 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 \$41,028.81 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:

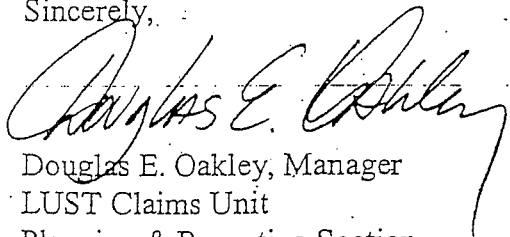
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For information regarding the filing of an extension, please contact:

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If you have any questions, please contact Doug Tolan of my staff, or Karl Kaiser of the technical staff, at 217/782-6762.

Sincerely,



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

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cc: CW3M Company

Attachment A
Technical Deductions

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Re: LPC #0050055011 -- Bond County
Greenville/Royer Oil Company
200 South Third Street
LUST Incident No. 900202
LUST FISCAL FILE

Item # Description of Deductions

1. \$4,630.31, deduction in excessive groundwater treatment system lease/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 17, 2003

ROYER OIL COMPANY,)

Petitioner,)

v.)

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Respondent.)


PCB 03-180
(UST Appeal)
(90-Day Extension)

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

On April 4, 2003, the parties timely filed a joint notice to extend the 35-day period within which Royer Oil Company may appeal a February 25, 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 request is within the time for filing, the joint request was timely filed. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(b)(2), 105.404. The Agency approved corrective action costs, with modifications, for Royer Oil Company's leaking underground petroleum storage tank facility located at 200 South Third, Greenville, Bond County. The Board extends the appeal period until July 1, 2003, as the parties request. *See* 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1) (2002); 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.208(a). If Royer Oil Company 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 17, 2003, by a vote of 6-0.



Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board

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