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**RE: DCEO Response to Request for Determination on Economic Impact Study in
Rulemaking Docket R04-20**

Dear Chairman Novak:

Thank you very much for your February 17, 2004 letter requesting a determination as to whether the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity ("Department") intends to conduct an economic impact study of the proposed rules in the above-referenced docket.

The Department has reviewed the proposed "clean-up" amendments to the volatile organic material ("VOM") emission reduction rules (35 Ill. Adm. Code Parts 211, 218 and 219). Based on this review, and in light of continued fiscal constraints, the Department has decided not to conduct a study of the economic impact of the proposed amendments, pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/27(b).

Thank you for soliciting the Department's input in this matter.

Sincerely,

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