ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD May 7, 2004

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
V.)	PCB 02-186
)	(Enforcement - Air)
VAN MELLE U.S.A., INC., an Illinois)	
corporation,)	
)	
Respondent)	

HEARING OFFICER ORDER

On May 6, 2004, a telephonic status conference was held. Respondent did not appear due to a conflict. The complainant represented that respondent's supplemental environmental project (SEP) as part of the settlement has been rejected. However, the respondent may have other SEP options. The complainant requested that respondent be given until June 24, 2004, to replead its affirmative defense to *laches* as directed in the March 4, 2004 Board order. The complainant's request is granted.

The parties are directed to participate in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer on June 3, 2004, at 11:30 a.m. The status conference must be initiated by the complainant, but each party is nonetheless responsible for their own appearance. At the status conference, the parties must be prepared to discuss the status of the above-captioned matter and their readiness for hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Bradley P. Halloran

Hearing Officer

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