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BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD ATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board Board

Commonwealth Edison Company, Petitioner v. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency,) PCB 04-215 Trade Secret Appeal))	
Respondent) 	
Midwest Generation EME, LLC, Petitioner v. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Respondent) PCB 04-216 Trade Secret Appeal (not consolidated))	
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Please take notice that today we have filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board an original (1) and nine (9) copies of IEPA's Response to the Board's June 17 Order Concerning Consolidation. A copy is herewith served upon the assigned Hearing Officer, the attorneys for the Petitioner, Commonwealth Edison Company, Midwest Generation EME, LLC, and the attorneys for the Sierra Club.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois July 26, 2004

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Commonwealth Edison Company,) Petitioner)	STATE OF ILLINOIS PCB 04-215 Pollution Control Board Trade Secret Appeal
v.)	
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, (2) Respondent (2)	
Midwest Generation EME, LLC,	
Petitioner) v.)	PCB 04-216 Trade Secret Appeal (not consolidated)
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Respondent	

IEPA'S RESPONSE TO THE BOARD'S JUNE 17 ORDER CONCERNING CONSOLIDATION

Respondent, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("IEPA"), by Lisa Madigan, Attorney General of the State of Illinois, herewith submits its response to the request by the Board in its Order dated June 17, 2004 that he parties address whether it would be appropriate to consolidate the two captioned appeals for purposes of hearing, if any, and decision. In response, Respondent states as follows:

1. The two trade secret appeals concern the same set of documents submitted by appellant Commonwealth Edison in response to an information request by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and subsequently copied to IEPA. One appeal was brought by Commonwealth Edison as owner of the documents, and the other was brought by Midwest Generation, the current owner of the facilities that are the subject of the documents. The administrative records of the two appeals are therefore close to identical, with the only difference between them being the separate trade secret

justification statements submitted by Commonwealth Edison and Midwest Generation.

Consolidation of the two matters is therefore "in the interest of convenient, expeditious, and complete determination of claims." 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.406.

- 2. Additionally, consolidation would not cause material prejudice to any party, and the burdens of proof in the two matters do not vary. <u>Id</u>.
- 3. For these reasons, Respondent IEPA favors and recommends consolidation of the two matters.

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v.)	Trade Secret Appeal (not consolidated)	
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Respondent))		

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did on the 26th Day of July 2004 send by First Class Mail, with postage thereon fully paid and deposited into the possession of the United States Postal Service, one (1) original and nine (9) copies of the following instruments entitled Notice of Filing and IEPA's Response to the Board's June 17 Order Concerning Consolidation to

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and a true and correct copy of the same foregoing instruments, by First Class Mail with postage thereon fully paid and deposited into the possession of the United States Postal Service, to:

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