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Re: ADM elevator in Hull, Illinois

To Whom It May Concern:

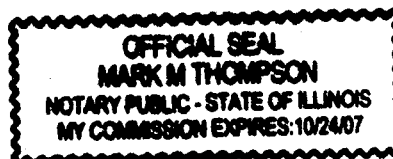
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I was raised on a family farm in the Mississippi River bottoms near East Hannibal, Illinois. Today I live directly across from and the closest residence to the ADM elevator here in Hull. When I was growing up there was an elevator in Fall Creek, Illinois. That elevator has been gone for 25+ years. At one time there were two elevators in Hull. My point is that we have already lost most of the options for grain delivery and handling that were available at one time to the area farmers. Many farmers from a wide area deliver grain here. I grew up loving the farm life and being committed to the field of Agriculture. I graduated from West Pike in Kinderhook and received a B.S. in Agriculture Science/Business from WIU. The Sny Island Levee Drainage District employed me for many years as its Treasurer. In 1993 I purchased the home across from the Hull elevator. I moved in fully expecting the noise, traffic, and dust involved in the process during the busy harvest seasons. If I ever had a problem with anything caused by the elevator I would feel confident that talking to Kent about it would resolve the problem. I have never had a problem with the operation of the elevator. Today I have no personal need whatsoever for the ADM elevator in Hull. I do however understand the economy of our area and know rural people and their needs. **WE NEED THE ADM ELEVATOR IN HULL.** I know that you have made many efforts in an attempt to improve the noise and dust level produced by the elevator. That is sufficient. **Please do not allow some complaints by one individual, no matter how loud and defiant, to effect the operation of this elevator.** Similarly, if I moved into a home bordering a school and its playground, would I be justified in complaining about the noise of the children playing? What should the school do about it? That is how I feel about the foolish, arbitrary complaints being made by one homeowner. The elevator was here before any of us moved in near the elevator and we should all be tolerant of the normal traffic, noise, etc. for the betterment of our wider community. Be assured that your presence here is not only approved by a vast majority of the area residents, but very much appreciated. Thank you for remaining a part of our community!

Sincerely,

*Jeanie Cox*

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AFFIDAVIT

I, Jeanie Cox, being first duly sworn upon oath, depose and state:

1. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein and am over 21 years old.
2. I am a resident of Hull, Illinois, and I live on property adjacent to an elevator owned and operated by Archer Daniels Midland Company which I understand is the subject of a Formal Complaint filed with the Illinois Pollution Control Board by Bonita and Richard Saxbury.
3. I have lived in my current residence since 1993.
4. My home is closer to the elevator property than the home of Bonita and Richard Saxbury.
5. At the time I moved into my home, I knew I was moving in next to a grain elevator and I anticipated that there would be some noise from the elevator.
6. The noise from the elevator has been about what I expected from the elevator operation and is somewhat less noticeable than it was when I moved in.
7. I have never made any complaint to the elevator, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, police or the city of Hull regarding noise from the elevator.
8. I have never had to close my windows to be able to hear my television, hold a conversation or entertain in my home.
9. I have never had to change my plans for entertaining in my yard due to noise from the elevator.
10. The noise from the elevator has never interfered with my daily activities in and around my house.

11. I have never had difficulty falling asleep or been awakened during the night due to noise from the elevator [even with the windows open].
12. I have never experienced any physical or mental distress that I attribute to noise from the elevator.
13. I have never sought medical treatment due to any distress that I would attribute to noise at the elevator.

Further Affiant saith not.

Rebecca Jean (Janie) Cox

[Name]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.



Mark M Thompson