ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD January 19, 2005

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 January 19, 2005, all parties participated in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer. The parties represented that they have reached a settlement and that a stipulation and proposal for settlement (stipulation) is being circulated for review and for signatures. Respondent is given to April 8, 2005, to replead its affirmative defense to *laches*, if needed, and the complainant is given to April 15, 2005, to answer respondent's affirmative defense number 2 not addressed in the Board order of March 4, 2004, if needed.

The parties are directed to participate in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer on March 31, 2005, at 10:00 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. If, however, a stipulation is filed prior to the next status conference, the conference will be cancelled without further order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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