ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
August 25, 2005

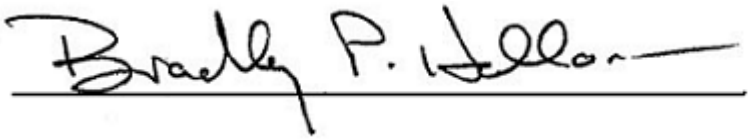
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	PCB 02-186
	)	(Enforcement - Air)
VAN MELLE U.S.A., INC., an Illinois corporation,	)	
	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

HEARING OFFICER ORDER

On August 25, 2005, all parties participated in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer. The parties represented that they are discussing minor language in the stipulation and proposal for settlement (stipulation), and that the complainant will forward a revised stipulation to the respondent for review. Respondent is given to November 14, 2005, to replead its affirmative defense to *laches*, if needed, and the complainant is given to November 30, 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 October 27, 2005, at 9:15 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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