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FREEDOM OIL COMPANY,)	PCB 03-54	RECEIVED CLERK'S OFFICE
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PROTECTION AGENCY,)	(Consolidated)	
Respondent.)		

NOTICE OF FILING

TO:

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board State of Illinois Center 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500 Chicago, IL 60601-3218 J. Greg Richardson
Division of Legal Counsel
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
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Hon. Carol Webb, Hearing Officer Illinois Pollution Control Board 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19274 Springfield, IL 62794-9274

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board an original and nine (9) copies of Time Certain Waiver of Statutory Decision Deadline, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

Dated: June 1, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

FREEDOM OIL COMPANY

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TIME CERTAIN WAIVER OF STATUTORY DECISION DEADLINE

NOW COMES the Petitioner, FREEDOM OIL COMPANY ("Freedom"), pursuant to 35 III. Admin. Code §101.308(c)(2) and files its *Time Certain Waiver of Statutory Decision Deadline* in these consolidated Underground Storage Tank ("UST") Fund/UST Appeal proceedings.

In support of its Time Certain Waiver of Statutory Decision Deadline, Petitioner states:

- 1. In these Consolidated Proceedings, Freedom respectfully requests the Pollution Control Board's review of five individual but related decisions by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("IEPA") to deny certain proposed investigation activities, and reimbursement for certain response and remediation costs incurred by Freedom in 2002 and 2003.
- 2. On January 29, 2004, Freedom filed an *Open Waiver of Statutory Decision Deadline* in these Consolidated Proceedings to allow sufficient time for the Parties to explore the possibility for settlement. On December 19, 2005, Freedom filed its *Notice to Reinstate Statutory Decision Deadline* to terminate the Open Waiver filed on January 29, 2004.
- 3. On January 10, 2006, Freedom filed a *Time Certain Waiver of Statutory Decision Deadline* to allow sufficient time for the Board's consideration and ruling on Freedom's pending

Motion for Discovery Relief, Motion for Default Judgment or Discovery Sanctions, Motion for

Summary Judgment and similar motions filed by the Respondent in these Consolidated Proceedings.

4. On February 2, 2006, the Board issued its Opinion and Order on the various motions

filed by Petitioner and Respondent. The Board's decision resolved some but not all of the factual

issues raised in these proceedings. Freedom is compiling and narrowing the remaining factual

disputes, and intends to dismiss two of the individual UST appeals in this matter. Freedom also

plans to continue discussions with counsel for Respondent to resolve the remaining factual issues in

these proceedings for a streamlined hearing or settlement of the case. Consequently, Freedom

believes it would be appropriate to waive the current statutory decision deadline for a period of sixty

(60) days to complete those actions.

5. For the foregoing reasons, Petitioner waives the current September 3, 2006 decision

deadline for a period of sixty (60) days, to and including November 2, 2006 for the Board's decision

in these Consolidated Proceedings.

WHEREFORE the Petitioner, FREEDOM OIL COMPANY, files its Time Certain Waiver

of Statutory Decision Deadline to extend the statutory decision deadline in these Consolidated

Proceedings to November 2, 2006.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board

VIA FIRST-CLASS MAIL

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Re:

PCB 03-54, PCB 03-56, PCB 03-105, PCB 03-179, PCB 04-02

(UST Appeal) (Consolidated Freedom Oil Company

Dear Ms. Gunn:

Enclosed please find an original and nine (9) copies of Time Certain Waiver of Statutory Decision Deadline along with a Notice of Filing and Certificate of Service. Please file and return to me a file-stamped copy in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

HOWARD & HOWARD ATTORNEYS, P.C.

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Enclosures
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