BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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STATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board

IN THE MATTER OF:

Petition of the Big River Zinc Corporation for an Adjusted Standard from 35 Ill. Adm. Code 720.131(c) AS 06-04 (Adjusted Standard)

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AGENCY'S RESPONSE TO THE AMENDED PETITION FOR ADJUSTED

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I, Michael S. Roubitchek, an attorney, hereby certify that I caused the attached pleadings to

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NOW COMES the Respondent, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA"), by one of its attorneys, Michael S. Roubitchek, Assistant Counsel, and for its response to the Big River Zinc Corporation's ("Petitioner")("BRZ") Amended Petition for an Adjusted Standard would respectfully state:

1. Petitioner seeks an adjusted standard under 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 720.131(c).

2. The Petitioner filed its Petition for an Adjusted Standard with the Illinois Pollution

Control Board ("Board") on June 30, 2006 and filed an Amended Petition on September 8, 2006.

3. The Illinois EPA filed its Agency Response to the Petition for Adjusted Standard in this matter on July 20, 2006.

4. The Board, in its August 17, 2006 Order, directed BRZ to file an Amended Petition providing additional information.

5. This Response is filed pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 104.418, and the Board's Order in this matter of August 17, 2006.

PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION

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The Illinois EPA believes the following information is relevant to the Board's consideration of the

proposed adjusted standard:

6. The Illinois EPA re-states its recommendation that the Board grant the Amended Petition because the Amended Petition limits the determination that the Electric Arc Furnace dust is not a solid waste to those instances where it is introduced into the Leach, Solvent Extraction, Electrowinning process as a raw material.

7. The Illinois EPA hereby incorporates by reference and re-states the conclusions from its Agency Response to the Petition for Adjusted Standard filed in this matter with the Board on July 20, 2006.

8. Prior to the filing of this Amended Adjusted Standard, BRZ submitted a draft Amended Petition to the Illinois EPA for comment. This Amended Petition has satisfactorily addressed all of the Illinois EPA's concerns.

WHEREFORE, the Illinois EPA recommends that the Illinois Pollution Control Board GRANT the Petitioner's Amended Petition for an Adjusted Standard.

Respectfully submitted,

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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