1	ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
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3	IN THE MATTER OF: )
4	PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SOLID ) WASTE LANDFILL RULES, 35 ILL. ) No. R07-8
5	ADM. CODE 810 AND 811 ) (Rulemaking-Land)
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7	REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS before the Illinois
8	Pollution Control Board, taken before Tamara
9	Manganiello, Registered Professional Reporter and
10	Notary Public, at the Michael A. Bilandic Building,
11	160 North LaSalle Street, Room N-505, Chicago,
12	Illinois, commencing at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on
13	the 29th day of January, A.D., 2007.
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1	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Good morning to
2	all of you and welcome to this Illinois
3	Pollution Control Board hearing. My name is
4	Tim Fox and I am the hearing officer for the
5	this rulemaking proceeding which is entitled
6	Proposed Amendments to Solid Waste Landfill
7	Rules, 35 Illinois Administrative Code 810
8	and 811.
9	The Board docket number for this
10	rulemaking is R07-8. The Board received this
11	proposal on July 27th, 2006, from the
12	Illinois Chapter of the National Solid Waste
13	Management Association, which seeks to amend
14	the Board's regulations concerning solid
15	waste landfills. The Board accepted this
16	proposal for hearing with an order dated
17	August 17th of 2006.
18	I'd like to take a moment to make
19	introductions. First of all, present today
20	from the Illinois Pollution Control Board
21	are, to my immediate right, Board Member
22	Andrea Moore, who is the lead Board Member
23	for this proceeding.
24	Member Moore, did you wish to make

1	any opening remarks?
2	BOARD MEMBER MOORE: Just a brief
3	statement to say thank you very much and the
4	Board does really appreciate the efforts your
5	association has gone through to produce this
6	proposal. And the cooperation that the IEPA
7	has had, as well, we wanted to thank you for
8	that.
9	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Thanks very
10	much. Three persons to the left is the
11	Board's acting chairman, Dr. G. Tanner
12	Girard.
13	Dr. Girard, did you have any
14	remarks or comments you wanted to offer to
15	begin this morning?
16	DR. GIRARD: No. Just good morning
17	and it's good to see everyone here. We do
18	appreciate your efforts. Thank you.
19	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We, as it turns
20	out, have the full Board present. To Dr.
21	Girard's left is Board Member Nicholas Melas
22	and to Member Moore's right is Board Member
23	Thomas E. Johnson.
2.4	And, in addition, on my immediate

1	left is Alisa Liu of the Board's technical
2	staff, and to her left, Anand Rao, her
3	colleague in the technical unit.
4	Today we are holding the first of
5	two scheduled hearings in this rulemaking.
б	The second hearing is now scheduled to begin
7	Wednesday, February 28th of this year in
8	Springfield.
9	This proceeding is governed by the
10	Board's procedural rules. Under those, all
11	information that is relevant and that is not
12	repetitious or privileged will be admitted
13	into the record of this hearing.
14	Please note that any questions
15	that are posed today either by the Board
16	members or the Board's staff are intended
17	solely to develop a complete and clear record
18	in this proceeding for the Board's decision
19	and do not reflect any prejudgment or any
20	bias regarding the proposal as it was
21	offered.
22	The Board has received pre-filed
23	testimony from one participant, again, the

24 Illinois Chapter of the National Solid Wastes

1	Management Association. We will begin this
2	hearing with that pre-filed testimony.
3	First, hearing from witnesses from the
4	Association, and then this will be followed
5	by questions that either the Board and its
6	staff or other participants that are present
7	hearing today may have for them.
8	Once we have finished questions of
9	those witnesses the Association, which has
10	pre-filed its testimony, anyone else may
11	testify, as time permits. And if you would
12	like to testify today, but did not pre-file
13	testimony, there is a sign-up sheet located
14	just inside the door behind the Agency staff
15	on which you can indicate your interest in
16	testifying.
17	Like all witnesses, those who do
18	testify would be sworn by the court reporter
19	and would be open to cross examination and
20	also may be asked questions about their
21	testimony itself.
22	I realize that many of you are
23	veterans of these proceedings, but for the
24	benefit of our court reporter, please speak

1	as clearly and loudly as you can so that it's
2	as easy as possible for her to complete our
3	record. And please avoid speaking at the
4	same time as another person so that her task
5	is simplified, as well.
6	In speaking with representatives
7	of the Agency and the Association before
8	hearing, off the record, it was acknowledged
9	by the Agency I think it's fair to say,
10	Mr. Northrup, please disagree if I'm
11	incorrect that the pre-filed testimony
12	would be admitted into the record as if read
13	here today under the Board's rules at
14	35 Illinois Administrative Code
15	Section 102.42(f). And I believe the
16	Association would be willing or would prefer
17	it, in fact, to proceed directly to
18	questions?
19	MR. NORTHRUP: That's correct.
20	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Excellent. Were
21	there any questions about our procedure or
22	about the general basis over which we'd be
23	going forward?
24	(No verbal response.)

1	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none.
2	Mr. Northrup, if you had any brief summary or
3	brief introductions, certainly, we'd be to
4	happy hear that.
5	MR. NORTHRUP: Just real brief
6	introductions. To my left is Tom Hilbert,
7	who filed pre-filed testimony. In his
8	testimony, I identified him as the president
9	of the Midwest Chapter of the NSWMA. He's
10	actually the former president of the
11	Association. So I wanted to clarify that.
12	To my immediate right is Terry
13	Johnson. He also filed pre-filed testimony.
14	I know, Mr. Fox, you mentioned just there was
15	one filing, but there was actually two.
16	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Correct. Two
17	persons, yes.
18	MR. NORTHRUP: To Mr. Johnson's right
19	is Bill Schubert, a representative of the
20	Association. And to his right is Eric
21	Ballenger.
22	Now, all four of these gentlemen
23	have been involved in this regulatory
2.4	proposal going back to when it first began in

1	1998 or '99, so they are all very
2	knowledgeable about it and I think they will
3	all be able to answer any questions that you
4	might have.
5	The culmination of this goes back,
6	you know, to the beginning of the Board's
7	landfill regs back in R-88. We view this as
8	just a continuation of that. There were
9	amendments made in '97 or '98. This is just
10	a further addition onto that.
11	In the intervening you know,
12	whether it's ten years from the R-97 or 17
13	from the initial Board regs, you know, a lot
14	of practical information and data has been
15	built up and so we just view this as really
16	nothing more than an update of those
17	regulations. We don't believe there's any
18	controversy with these. We're glad to see
19	that the Illinois Environmental Protection
20	Agency supports us in this.
21	Sort of the bottom line and
22	globally, we think these regulations will
23	provide better data for the companies and the
24	Agency. It provides a more formal review of

1	the data once it's sent into the Agency. It
2	provides for more consistent application of
3	the Board's regs across the state. And we
4	certainly think that it increases the
5	protection of human health and the
6	environment.
7	So, with that, I do note I did
8	file an errata sheet number two,
9	electronically filed, with the Board on
10	Friday. I've got copies of that if anybody
11	wants it. In other words, there's just two
12	typographical issues that were addressed in
13	that. So with that, I will turn it back to
14	you, Mr. Fox.
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Very good.
16	Thank you very much. In the original
17	proposal filed by the Association in July of
18	2006, the proposed amendments to the
19	regulations were numbered consecutively in
20	the order of the administrative code
21	citations. And it appears, Mr. Johnson, that
22	your pre-filed testimony follows that exactly
23	so that we should be able to cross reference
24	those two documents very, very accurately

1	with one another.
2	Why don't we begin, appropriately
3	enough, with the Proposed Amendment No. 1
4	amending Section 810.104. Mr. Johnson, in
5	your pre-filed testimony, you had
6	characterized that as a non-substantive
7	proposal. If that is still your position
8	with regard to the language and if the Agency
9	or the other participants don't oppose that
10	characterization at all, perhaps we could
11	proceed to the second proposed amendment.
12	MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
13	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Mr. Johnson has
14	indicated that he still does regard it as
15	non-substantive.
16	(Whereupon, a discussion
17	was had off the record.)
18	BOARD MEMBER JOHNSON: Tim, you intend
19	to go through each of these 49 proposed
20	amendments individually and just make sure
21	that we're
22	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Make sure that
23	we're building a record, precisely.
24	Mr. Rao has pointed out to me

1	correctly what we should do.
2	Thank you, Mr. Northrup for
3	providing copies of the pre-filed testimony
4	of Thomas Hilbert as Proposed Exhibit No. 1,
5	the pre-filed testimony of Terry Johnson as
6	Proposed Exhibit No. 2 and the errata sheet
7	number two, which includes the changes in the
8	first errata sheet as Proposed Exhibit No. 3.
9	And in order to admit those into the record
10	as the basis for any questions, is there a
11	motion to admit those as exhibits.
12	MR. NORTHRUP: I would move to have
13	those admitted.
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Is there any
15	opposition or comment from the Agency or from
16	the other participant on that issue.
17	MS. GEVING: The Agency has no
18	objection.
19	MS. ANDRIA: Can I ask, does that mean
20	you're not going to be delivering them
21	orally?
22	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Correct. Under
23	the Board's procedural rules, because these
2.4	were pre-filed on Tuesday the 16th, they will

1	be admitted into the record of this
2	proceeding as if they were read aloud here
3	today.
4	And I don't mean to commit you to
5	something, Mr. Northrup, but you did mention
6	that you had some additional copies of these
7	documents. And if you were needing to see or
8	obtain a copy of them, I suspect that
9	Mr. Northrup would be willing to make one of
10	those copies available to you.
11	MR. NORTHRUP: That's correct.
12	MS. ANDRIA: My question my perplex
13	is that I had my questions keyed to the
14	testimony, so I wanted to know if that wasn't
15	being delivered, then I would have to regroup
16	and that's why I was trying to figure out the
17	rules.
18	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Mr. Northrup's
19	motion is to admit as Exhibit No. 1, the
20	pre-filed testimony just as it was pre-filed
21	with the Board on the 16th. So the document
22	that he is seeking to admit today has no
23	difference whatsoever from what you might
24	have printed from the Board's web page over

1	the last two weeks or so.
2	And, likewise, that applies
3	equally to Mr. Johnson's pre-filed testimony.
4	This document would be precisely the same as
5	what's available from the Board's website and
6	would be, again, under the operation of the
7	Board's rules, admitted as if he had read it
8	aloud, if he had read from his written
9	testimony.
10	And, likewise, the errata sheet
11	number two embracing the changes both in the
12	first and then in the second errata sheet
13	would be admitted just as it was filed with
14	the Board and put on its website. So there
15	would be no difference between the two
16	documents that I think you're referring to.
17	MS. ANDRIA: Then my question would be
18	at what point is it appropriate for us to ask
19	questions on the pre-filed testimony?
20	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We will plan to
21	go particularly, since all of the proposed
22	amendments were numbered consecutively, we
23	will be going through, of course, from one to
24	two all the way to the 49th. So if you have

1	a question about a particular one, please
2	indicate that you have a question and I'll be
3	happy to recognize you for that. And we'll
4	just ask you, when you pose that question, to
5	state your name and any organization that you
6	might represent so that the record is clear.
7	MS. ANDRIA: Thank you.
8	MR. NORTHRUP: And, also, if I could
9	add, the testimony tracks the proposal except
10	for the non-substantive issues. Those are
11	not included in the testimony. But then
12	everything else is all the same, so
13	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Did you have any
14	further questions or was I at all helpful in
15	clarifying it.
16	MS. ANDRIA: No. I think that does
17	help. And this is my first hearing like
18	this, so I'm probably going to have other
19	questions on procedures. Thank you.
20	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Don't hesitate
21	to indicate that you'd like to be recognized
22	and we can certainly recognize you for any
23	procedural or substantive questions.

1	(Whereupon, a discussion
2	was had off the record.)
3	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Jumping back,
4	Ms. Geving has indicated that the Agency did
5	not have any disagreement with the
6	characterization of Proposed Amendment No. 1
7	as non-substantive. Mr. Johnson, I think,
8	has indicated both by word and gesture that
9	he continues to believe it is so.
10	MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
11	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Why don't we
12	proceed to Propose Amendment No. 2, which,
13	again, Mr. Johnson has characterized as
14	non-substantive.
15	Ms. Geving, does the Agency have
16	any disagreement with that assessment or
17	characterization at all?
18	MS. GEVING: We do not.
19	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Were there any
20	questions from the other participants about
21	Proposed Amendment No. 2.
22	(No verbal response.)
23	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Very good.
24	Proceeding to No. 3, again, Mr. Johnson has

1	indicated that he believes that is
2	non-substantive.
3	Ms. Geving, does the Agency have
4	any reason to dispute that characterization
5	in this case?
6	MS. GEVING: We do not.
7	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any other
8	questions about Proposed Amendment No. 3 at
9	all?
10	(No verbal response.)
11	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none
12	(Whereupon, a discussion
13	was had off the record.)
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Mr. Rao for a
15	question.
16	MR. RAO: This question is not
17	directly related to the corporation by
18	reference, but we had a general question for
19	Mr. Hilbert. In the statement of reasons on
20	Page 2, the National Solid Wastes Management
21	Association cites increased efficiency and
22	reduced costs for both IEPA and the regulated
23	community as one of the impetus for the
2.4	proposed rulemaking. Is it possible to

1	estimate the monetary value of the increased
2	efficiency or cost savings that this
3	rulemaking would produce?
4	(Brief pause.)
5	MR. HILBERT: I'm sorry. I misheard
6	you. I wasn't sure that you were addressing
7	me.
8	We could make an estimate of that,
9	but we don't have we have not gone out and
10	sought detailed numbers on the economic
11	impact for these rules. The primary goal of
12	the rule was to reduce what, in our opinion,
13	were an unnecessary frequency of assessment
14	monitoring events that were triggered by
15	false indications of release from a landfill.
16	And so it really wasn't although, there's
17	going to be an economic impact and we feel
18	that it will actually lessen our cost to some
19	degree, that wasn't the primary goal of the
20	rulemaking.
21	MR. RAO: If there is any estimate
22	that you can make, if it's a significant
23	reduction, it would be helpful if you provide
24	those cost figures to the Board at a later

1	time because one of the things that the Board
2	has to do during the rulemaking process is to
3	discuss the cost impact of the rulemaking.
4	And if there's any cost impact, it would be
5	helpful for the Board to have that
6	information.
7	MR. JOHNSON: I can maybe attempt to
8	answer that. What we can look at is the
9	detection monitoring list. We know what we
10	have been doing and what we've proposed. And
11	the difference between those two is roughly
12	about a third. It's about a third less
13	costly under the new proposal to perform the
14	detection monitoring. But we are adding some
15	additional sampling. We are adding a second
16	test for volatiles and we are formalizing the
17	leachate monitoring requirements. The other
18	elements of it, it's hard to put a real
19	district number on at this time.
20	MR. RAO: Okay. Well, whatever that
21	you can generate in cost data, that will be
22	helpful.
23	MS. LIU: It also might be helpful to
2.4	include maybe the number of man hours or

1	something along those lines.
2	DR. GIRARD: I have a quick background
3	question. Are all the landfill operators in
4	Illinois members of the National Solid Wastes
5	Management Association.
6	MR. HILBERT: No. Not all of the
7	landfill operators in the Illinois are
8	members of the National Solid Wastes
9	Management Association. But we have
10	contacted the non-member operators and made
11	them aware of the rulemaking, given them
12	copies of proposed changes and they have
13	indicated their support for the proposed
14	changes.
15	DR. GIRARD: So you did get feedback
16	from those non-member operators
17	MR. HILBERT: Correct.
18	DR. GIRARD: and they did have some
19	input into these suggested changes.
20	MR. HILBERT: Certainly.
21	DR. GIRARD: Thank you.
22	MR. RAO: And just a follow-up to
23	Dr. Girard's question. In this universe of
24	landfill operators in the state, are mostly

1	municipal solid waste landfill units members
2	of your organization or are there other
3	on-site landfills or chemical waste landfills
4	that are operating in the state that are also
5	members of your organization?
6	MR. HILBERT: To my knowledge, the
7	vast bulk of members in the National Solid
8	Wastes Management Association are primarily
9	municipal solid waste landfill operators.
10	There may be certain members that
11	in addition to operating a solid waste
12	landfill also have responsibilities for what
13	I'll call on-site facilities.
14	BOARD MEMBER JOHNSON: For what?
15	MR. HILBERT: On-site facilities. But
16	the NSWMA's membership is primarily composed
17	of and their interests are primarily lined
18	with solid waste landfill operators.
19	MR. RAO: And when you responded to
20	Dr. Girard's question about whether all the
21	landfills in the state, if they're aware of
22	this rulemaking, as a part of your outreach,
23	did you also contact these on-site facilities
24	and other non-municipal solid waste landfill

1	units?
2	MR. HILBERT: No, we did not. We
3	don't really have a good list. It's a lot
4	easier all of the municipal solid waste
5	landfills in Illinois that are permitted
6	are well-documented. It's easy to understand
7	the world of who operates a municipal
8	solid waste landfill. The industrial sites
9	and on-site facilities aren't. It's a little
10	bit less certain on who we would contact, so
11	we did not make that effort.
12	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And I wonder,
13	Ms. Geving, if I may interrupt and perhaps
14	anticipate your question. Mr. Northrup, I'm
15	sorry that I've overlooked this until now.
16	We have not had the court reporter swear in
17	your witnesses. I wonder if it would be your
18	preference simply to have her do so as all
19	four of them together as a group?
20	MR. NORTHRUP: Yes.
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Very well. If
22	you would do so, please?
23	(Witnesses sworn.)
2.4	BOARD MEMBER JOHNSON: Retroactively

1	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And I think I
2	see Ms. Geving indicate that I did, in fact,
3	anticipate her question. And I appreciate
4	her letting me acknowledge that oversight.
5	Mr. Rao, did you have any further questions.
6	MR. RAO: Yes. Actually, I had a
7	follow-up to the Agency regarding this issue
8	of the universe of landfill operators in the
9	state. Would it be possible for the Agency
10	to provide the Board with a list of landfill
11	operators that you are aware of who may be
12	affected by this rulemaking?
13	MS. GEVING: May we, at this time,
14	have our witnesses sworn, as well, please?
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Very well. If
16	the court reporter would swear in the two
17	agency witnesses, please.
18	(Witnesses sworn.)
19	MS. GEVING. I'm going to have
20	Ms. Thompson Gwen Thompson is directly to
21	my right and Mr. Liebman is to her right.
22	Gwen, will you answer the question, please?
23	MR. LIEBMAN: I'll try to answer the
24	question. We can certainly try. We really

1	don't do much with on-site, unpermitted
2	landfills. We do act as a repository for the
3	reports that they're supposed to file in
4	accordance with Part 815, but we don't really
5	maintain any sort of database that we could,
6	you know, go to easily. But I'll see what
7	our records unit can do.
8	MR. RAO: Okay.
9	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
10	questions?
11	(No verbal response.)
12	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We do have a
13	standing motion to admit the Proposed Hearing
14	Exhibit Nos. 1, 2 and 3. And Ms. Geving, I
15	believe, indicated that there was no
16	objection.
17	Any objection on the part of other
18	participants?
19	(No verbal response.)
20	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none, the
21	exhibits will be entered into the record, the
22	pre-filed testimony of Mr. Hilbert as Exhibit
23	No. 1, the pre-filed testimony of Mr. Johnson
24	as Exhibit No. 2 and the errata sheet number

1	two as Exhibit No. 3.
2	(Whereupon, Proponent
3	Exhibit Nos. 1, 2 and 3
4	were entered into the
5	record by the Hearing
6	Officer.)
7	HEARING OFFICER FOX: That disposes of
8	the first three proposed amendments and the
9	general question that Mr. Rao had raised.
10	Why don't we proceed to Proposed
11	Amendment No. 4, amending Section 811.309(g)
12	regarding leachate monitoring.
13	Are there questions regarding the
14	language of Proposed Amendment No. 4?
15	Ma'am, I'm sorry, I can't recall
16	your name. I apologize.
17	MS. ANDRIA: My name is Kathy Andria.
18	I'm with American Bottom Conservancy.
19	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Thank you,
20	Ms. Andria.
21	MS. ANDRIA: And I'm also conservation
22	chair for the Kaskaskia Group for the Sierra
23	Club. I have a number of questions in this
2.4	section and I didn't want you to scoot onto

1	the next section before
2	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We will not
3	scoot. Please proceed if you've got
4	questions.
5	MS. ANDRIA: One of the questions I
6	have, this proposed list of leachate
7	monitoring parameters consists of 202
8	constituents, quote, likely to be found in
9	leachate. I wondered I'm concerned about
10	that "likely to be found". Are there
11	constituents not likely to be found, but that
12	are found in various types of landfills?
13	MR. JOHNSON: The lists that we have
14	there are those constituents. We've been
15	monitoring leachate in Illinois and other
16	states with similar lists and those are the
17	compounds that we do see most frequently in
18	leachate.
19	MS. ANDRIA: But are there compounds
20	that aren't on the list that do appear?
21	MR. JOHNSON: To my knowledge, that
22	list is comprehensive as it exists that we've
23	monitored for and we believe it includes all
24	those parameters

1	MS. ANDRIA: And none of the things
2	that you're excluding in the list that you're
3	going to be monitoring is ever found in
4	MR. HILBERT: Maybe I can clarify
5	something. The list, as it was presented as
6	an amendment to these rules, is really to add
7	something into the rules that didn't exist
8	before. Prior to that, the list was derived,
9	at least for permanent facilities, internally
10	within the Agency and there was nothing
11	specified specifically in the rules that
12	would have to be monitored for leachate. So
13	we're not excluding anything, we're actually
14	adding the list to the regulatory rules that
15	wasn't there previously.
16	MS. ANDRIA: Then I must have misread
17	because I thought there were certain things
18	that weren't going to be monitored for now.
19	MR. HILBERT: Not that I'm aware of
20	within the leachate monitoring lists.
21	MS. ANDRIA: And, also, I'm very
22	appreciative that you're bringing in all
23	landfills in Illinois and not just permitted
24	landfills, but I'm wondering if IEPA, as they

1	just said, that they don't do much with
2	on-site and with unpermitted facilities, how
3	will that be enforced?
4	BOARD MEMBER JOHNSON: That's the
5	Agency.
6	MR. LIEBMAN: Well, first, I wanted to
7	respond to your question about
8	BOARD MEMBER MOORE: The list.
9	MR. LIEBMAN: the list and
10	possibly excluding the parameters that had
11	previously been monitored. The changes
12	concerning leachate in this rulemaking were
13	made at the Agency's request. And the list
14	that we're adding here were things that we
15	were requiring permitted landfills to do by
16	permit. And the attempt was to and the
17	idea was to have everything that we're
18	currently requiring to do by permit, reflect
19	it in the rules and not leave anything out.
20	MS. ANDRIA: So are on-site facilities
21	like steel mill landfills, coal waste
22	landfills, coal combustion waste, will they
23	be covered by this?
24	MR LIEBMAN: Yes

1	MS. ANDRIA: And would those
2	constituents that are normally in those,
3	which aren't the wording "likely to be
4	found" in leachate, are those all considered
5	and will they all be monitored for under the
6	new rules?
7	MR. LIEBMAN: I want to make sure I
8	understand what you're asking. Are you
9	asking whether this current list was
10	developed for municipal solid waste landfills
11	and may not address all the parameters or
12	contaminants that may come from industrial
13	waste?
14	MS. ANDRIA: I guess that's what I'm
15	asking. I'm very joyful that these landfills
16	that don't have to get permits and don't have
17	the proper monitoring, at least from the ones
18	that I see in the metro east, I'm glad that
19	they're in there, but I'm just wondering
20	since they are covered I just want to make
21	sure that the constituents that would be in
22	that leachate would be covered under these
23	and it's not being excluded from monitoring.
24	MR. LIEBMAN: Well, the list that's

1	going into the regulations was developed from
2	a literature review done back in the early
3	'90s. And I think the literature review was
4	not tailored just to municipal solid waste
5	landfills. It was intended to include
б	constituents examined to be found in leachate
7	from industrial waste, as well.
8	MS. ANDRIA: Is there another way to
9	word "likely to be found" so that it is more
10	comprehensive?
11	MR. HILBERT: Could I offer one
12	additional point of clarification? There is
13	still some language and, actually, it's
14	part of the amendments in 809 309(g), and
15	it does allow the Agency, by permit
16	condition, although, it doesn't address
17	unpermitted sites, to require additional
18	leachate sampling if it's found to be
19	necessary or appropriate. I'm not sure if
20	that actually clarified Ms. Andria's
21	concerns, but
22	MS. ANDRIA: Would it be an
23	appropriate since you said they would all
24	be covered, could you word it as "all known

1	constituents to be found in leachate"? Would
2	that be possible?
3	MR. NORTHRUP: I think the most likely
4	language is just in our proposal. That's not
5	actually in the rule itself.
6	MS. ANDRIA: Are we going to go by the
7	letters afterwards or just taking the 309(g)
8	all at once?
9	HEARING OFFICER FOX: I'm not sure I
10	understand your question, Ms. Andria. I'm
11	sorry.
12	MS. ANDRIA: The leachate proposed for
13	the (g), are we going to go by the oh, I
14	see. It's another letter. Okay. I
15	apologize. I got ahead of myself.
16	HEARING OFFICER FOX: No apologies.
17	Ms. Andria, did you have further questions on
18	the Proposed Amendment No. 4 for either the
19	Association or the Agency.
20	MS. ANDRIA: That is not the part
21	where it has the frequency, is it?
22	HEARING OFFICER FOX: I believe that
23	is addressed in Proposed Amendment No. 8,
24	which would be the Proposed New Subsection 5.

1	MS. ANDRIA: Okay.
2	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And, certainly,
3	we won't skip any opportunity to cover that.
4	MS. ANDRIA: Okay. And I apologize
5	because, like I said, I keyed it to the
6	testimony and not the sections, which was
7	really stupid.
8	MR. RAO: I had a follow-up to Ms.
9	Andria's question about the list proposed in
10	Section 811, Appendix C. Is this list's
11	was this list's data based on the leachate
12	data that the Agency has for municipal solid
13	waste landfills?
14	MS. THOMPSON: I'll take that. That
15	list is based on federal requirements for
16	monitoring basically everything that's
17	monitored in groundwater, which is 40 CFR
18	258, Appendix 1, 40 CFR 141.40, as well as
19	some publications numerous publications
20	that have gone out on past studies on solid
21	waste landfills and incorporated all of thos
22	parameters.
23	BOARD MEMBER JOHNSON: And, in fact,
24	that's more comprehensive than the current

1	rule; isn't that correct?
2	MS. THOMPSON: That is what we have
3	been actually doing in the past.
4	BOARD MEMBER JOHNSON: Thanks.
5	MR. RAO: So this list of parameters,
6	which are basically derived from the federal
7	municipal solid waste rules, would this list
8	impose additional monitoring requirements for
9	the chemical waste landfills which are not
10	municipal solid waste landfills?
11	MR. LIEBMAN: Well, I think it depends
12	upon what they've been doing and how they've
13	read the current regulations. And we've not
14	tried to look and see what their filing with
15	us to see if they are more or less doing what
16	we're requiring permitted landfills to do.
17	MR. RAO: Let me read that section
18	here. It is Section 811.309(g)(3), which
19	deals with chemical waste monitoring. It
20	states, discharges of leachate from units
21	with dispose only chemical waste shall be
22	monitored for constituents determined by
23	characteristics of the chemical waste
2.4	disposed of in the unit so it was basically

1	tied to the type of waste that was being
2	disposed in that particular unit, but now
3	they will be required to monitor for the
4	additional lists of constituents called for.
5	So this replaced additional requirement on
6	those landfills, does it not?
7	MR. LIEBMAN: Perhaps.
8	MR. RAO: Okay.
9	(Whereupon, a discussion
10	was had off the record.)
11	MS. GEVING: May we pause for just a
12	moment?
13	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Yes, Ms. Geving.
14	(Brief pause.)
15	MS. GEVING: May we have the court
16	reporter read the last question back, please,
17	before we respond?
18	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Yes.
19	(Whereupon, the requested
20	portion of the record
21	was read accordingly.)
22	MS. THOMPSON: Yes, it would
23	(inaudible).
24	THE COURT REPORTER: Can you repeat

1	that? I can't hear you.
2	MS. THOMPSON: Yes, it would replace.
3	MR. JOHNSON: May I speak?
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Yes,
5	Mr. Johnson, please.
6	MR. JOHNSON: I'd just like to add for
7	the record that between myself and my
8	colleague, Bill Schubert, we work in a number
9	of states, at least 15 states, and this is
10	the most comprehensive leachate monitoring
11	list in that area.
12	The present regulations do not
13	contain a list for monitoring, so this
14	codifies an actual list. And it matches
15	quite well with the research that is out
16	there. There's a body of research that
17	looked at broad monitoring of MSW landfills,
18	C&D landfills, chemical waste landfills and
19	co-disposal landfills and this matches real
20	well with the literature, some of which is
21	stated in our documents.
22	DR. GIRARD: Just a follow-up question
23	to that then. And I don't know whether the
24	Agency should answer this or the Association.

1	But for most of the landfills in the state
2	now, this list of constituents would be in
3	their individual permits, is that correct
4	MR. LIEBMAN: Yes.
5	DR. GIRARD: for the constituents
6	they need to monitor for.
7	So in most of these landfills, do
8	they monitor for more or less than 202
9	chemical constituents in their permits?
10	MR. LIEBMAN: I'd say almost exactly
11	that. We are trying to put in the
12	regulations what we're requiring by permit
13	now.
14	DR. GIRARD: Thank you.
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
16	questions on Proposed Amendment No. 4?
17	(No verbal response.)
18	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Very well.
19	Let's proceed I'm sorry. My mistake.
20	Yes, Ms. Blumenshine?
21	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Thank you. Joyce
22	Blumenshine, B-L-U-M-E-N-S-H-I-N-E. Thank
23	you very much.
24	I did have a question, please,

1	regarding the wording change that the Agency
2	may then allow less leachate sampling and
3	testing as necessary. I just wondered what
4	was the, I guess, rationale for that as one
5	would think that with a basic listing that
6	would be a baseline that would be necessary
7	for consistency and that, of course, the
8	wording, would require more, would be
9	understood for particular instances, but I
10	wanted to hear some rationale for allowing
11	less leachate sampling.
12	MR. LIEBMAN: The thinking there was
13	that there may be well, first of all, the
14	baseline would be the list in the appendix.
15	But then we thought that perhaps on a
16	case-by-case basis some landfill operators
17	may be able to demonstrate that some of the
18	parameters on the baseline lists weren't
19	appropriate or necessary for their particula:
20	site and in those cases we thought we should
21	have the ability to eliminate those
22	unnecessary parameters.
23	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Ms. Andria.
24	MS. ANDRIA: I don't see the wording

1	that I'm looking for right now, but I think
2	they referred to that there were different
3	spatial and temporal changes, and by going to
4	less would you not be able to catch
5	contamination that was being effected by a
6	temporal change, say a river is up and
7	pushing in a different direction?
8	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Mr. Schubert
9	apparently would like to respond.
10	MR. SCHUBERT: I think I might help
11	clarify that. In No. 4 it says just to
12	put your statement in context, provide less
13	leachate sampling might otherwise be
14	required. The sentence before that talked
15	about a default minimum number of leachate
16	monitoring locations. Right now in the
17	regulations, there is no number of leachate
18	monitoring locations in the regulations that
19	says that the leachate must be monitored, so
20	it could be just one.
21	The new regulations provide a
22	minimum number of points greater than one
23	that needs to be monitored at every site.
24	And then the Agency upon you know, if

1	there is a reason, you know, for them to only
2	approve one point, such as the sites not
3	taking any leachate or, you know, maybe one
4	location where all the leachate drains to,
5	they can make that call, as well.
6	But there is a default number of
7	leachate monitoring locations that now exist
8	in regulations by virtue of this amendment
9	that weren't there before.
10	MS. ANDRIA: But aren't you by
11	going to a minimum number of locations and
12	then later on in the proposed rulemaking
13	you're going to less frequent or longer time
14	spans, I think that you might not be able to
15	catch something that starts a problem that
16	starts for perhaps a year or more when the
17	groundwater is threatened. Would that not be
18	the case?
19	MR. SCHUBERT: Well, we'll go through
20	timing on some of the future amendments I
21	think we covered timing and that type of
22	thing later. But, no, we think that this
23	proposal is probably as Terry had
24	mentioned, is more rigorous than any other

1	leachate monitoring proposal that I know of
2	in any of the neighboring states or 13 states
3	that I deal with.
4	So it's pretty rigorous in terms
5	of monitoring. And, really, I think the
6	Agency's intention was to make sure that
7	there's good agreement between what we're
8	monitoring for in the ground water and what's
9	in the landfills.
10	MS. ANDRIA: How does it compare to,
11	say, California or New York?
12	MR. SCHUBERT: I don't know.
13	MS. ANDRIA: Are there other states
14	that have more rigorous requirements than
15	you're proposing?
16	MR. SCHUBERT: Not in my experience.
17	MS. ANDRIA: And is that in the 13
18	states and his 15 states?
19	MR. SCHUBERT: Yes, ma'am.
20	MS. ANDRIA: In your extensive review
21	that you've been working on, for ten years I
22	think you said, have you not found any in
23	other states that are more protective?
24	MR. SCHUBERT: The point of our review

1	wasn't to look at other states, necessarily.
2	I'm just saying that it put the rigorousness
3	of the requirement in context.
4	MS. ANDRIA: Thank you.
5	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Ms. Blumenshine,
6	I think you indicated that you had a
7	question.
8	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Just to wrap-up on
9	my question so that we can go on. Thank you
10	for your time. I'll go back and review this.
11	But my specific question and I believe
12	the leachate monitoring points is under
13	another in (g)(4) in Amendment 7. I was
14	specifically concerned my question dealt
15	with that the Agency then could allow less
16	sampling and testing and my concern was that
17	there's a provision in there to allow less
18	sampling. So that was my specific question.
19	MR. SCHUBERT: Right.
20	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Thank you.
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
22	questions on Proposed Amendment No. 4.
23	(No verbal response.)
24	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none,

1	then moving ahold to Proposed Amendment No.
2	5, which proposes to amend Section
3	811.309(g)(2)(G). Are there questions about
4	the specific language of that proposal?
5	Ms. Andria, I see your hand.
6	MS. ANDRIA: On heavy metals, I'm very
7	confused about the errata sheet and that some
8	of the heavy metals were removed from testing
9	and now we didn't this was not posted
10	on the website, so we didn't see things being
11	put in, so I haven't been able to check. But
12	are they in or out? Are heavy metals in our
13	out?
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Let me step
15	back, if I may, and just ask a procedural
16	question, Ms. Andria. Are you saying that
17	you were not able to gain access on the web
18	to errata sheet number one or number two.
19	MS. ANDRIA: Well, yesterday it
20	wasn't they didn't have "view file" on the
21	side of it so it wasn't accessible.
22	HEARING OFFICER FOX: There wasn't a
23	link from which you could print the document,
24	in other words.

1	MS. ANDRIA: Correct.
2	HEARING OFFICER FOX: I understand.
3	It was at least listed there in the docket
4	sheet?
5	MS. ANDRIA: It was listed that the
6	document was there, but it wasn't something
7	that you could read.
8	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Thank you for
9	clarifying that for me. I appreciate that.
10	Ms. Geving, did you have a
11	question or a response?
12	MS. GEVING: I just had one
13	suggestion. Maybe this would help
14	facilitate. Charlie, if you could have
15	somebody do an overview of what was changed
16	just by errata sheet number two that's
17	different from errata sheet number one so
18	they understand what the change was?
19	MR. NORTHRUP: Yeah. There were very
20	limited changes to errata sheet number two.
21	In fact, there were only two and they dealt
22	with on errata sheet number one, total
23	suspended solids, and had TDS in parenthesis
24	which was wrong, so we changed that to TSS

1	and then we actually added total dissolved
2	solids. That's the only difference between
3	errata sheet number one and errata sheet
4	number two.
5	MS. ANDRIA: Okay. So is there less
6	monitoring or have pesticides been dropped
7	from monitoring? Because that was my read of
8	an earlier document and I don't know
9	pesticides by their chemical names so I just
10	wondered whether that was the case.
11	MR. BALLENGER: I think I can answer.
12	Eric Ballenger with Allied. I think the
13	leachate list you see there is essentially
14	what we're using. You may be confused then
15	with what you saw with the groundwater
16	monitoring programs. The leachate list does
17	include pesticides/herbicides, does include
18	the total metals, does include the volatiles
19	as identified on that list.
20	MS. ANDRIA: And PCBs?
21	MR. BALLENGER: Yes. That exact list
22	that you see there is the list we were using
23	as part of our leachate program.
24	MS. ANDRIA: Thank you.

1	HEARING OFFICER FOX: My recollection
2	is that we were ready to move on to Proposed
3	Amendment No. 5, Section 811.309(g)(2)(G).
4	Were there questions for the Association as
5	the Proponent on that?
6	(No verbal response.)
7	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none,
8	let's proceed to Proposed Amendment No. 6,
9	which would propose to amend Section
10	811.309(g)(3)(D). Are there questions for
11	the Association as Proponent of that or the
12	Agency?
13	(No verbal response.)
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none,
15	let's move forward to Proposed Amendment No.
16	7, amending $811.309(g)(4)$ . Are there
17	questions on this proposal for the either the
18	Association or the Agency?
19	Ms. Andria?
20	MS. ANDRIA: This will now have a
21	minimum of four leachate monitoring locations
22	and at least one for every 25 acres within a
23	waste boundary unless the operator
2.4	demonstrates through the permitting process

1	that fewer leachate monitoring locations are
2	needed? And is that the permit would
3	guide that or this would guide that?
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Mr. Liebman?
5	MR. LIEBMAN: The regulations would
6	guide that unless in a permit application the
7	applicant was able to demonstrate that
8	something else was appropriate.
9	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Mr. Schubert,
10	did you wish to add to that answer or
11	respond?
12	MR. SCHUBERT: No. I had pretty much
13	the same answer.
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
15	questions relating to Proposed Amendment No.
16	7 then?
17	DR. GIRARD: Just to have a summary
18	follow-up, for some landfills in the state,
19	when their permit is re-written, they will
20	actually have more monitoring stations than
21	they do now?
22	MR. LIEBMAN: That was not what we had
23	in mind and that's not the way we would read
24	that note. We thought that landfills that

1	were permitted let's say a landfill that's
2	100 acres has one leachate monitoring point,
3	well, the Agency approved that leachate
4	monitoring through the permit process,
5	therefore, we would think that
6	previously-permitted landfills still complied
7	with the amended regulations.
8	DR. GIRARD: But if their permit comes
9	up for renewal and this regulation is in
10	place, doesn't it state that they need a
11	minimum of four monitoring locations now.
12	MR. LIEBMAN: Unless something else
13	has been permitted.
14	DR. GIRARD: So they can still have
15	just one.
16	MR. LIEBMAN: Correct.
17	DR. GIRARD: So it doesn't really
18	enhance the leachate monitoring location
19	network in terms of adding more sites to
20	currently-permitted sites, it's just for
21	newly-permitted sites; is that correct.
22	MR. LIEBMAN: That's the way we
23	anticipate administering it, yes.
2.4	DR GIRARD: Thank you

1	MR. RAO: Then what's the rationale
2	for requiring new sites to have four
3	monitoring locations if they're 100 acres?
4	MR. LIEBMAN: The idea is to ensure
5	that the leachate monitoring system is
6	capable of detecting spatial variability.
7	MR. RAO: Doesn't the same rationale
8	apply to existing units even though they have
9	been permitted in the past because this
10	requirement was not there?
11	MR. LIEBMAN: Right. Yes, it would.
12	There may be some cases, including for new
13	sites, where one monitoring point at a
14	100-acre site would be acceptable. If the
15	landfill operator was able to make that
16	demonstration, we would certainly review it
17	in the permit application.
18	MR. RAO: What criteria do you use to
19	make such a determination?
20	MR. LIEBMAN: We've really not
21	developed any criteria like that.
22	MR. SCHUBERT: I think, as I had
23	mentioned before, you know, our petition in
24	regard to this section had mentioned that,

1	you know, we, as the petitioner, looked at
2	this as a default number of sampling points.
3	If there was a reason to have a
4	smaller number, you know, we could ask the
5	Agency to review that.
6	In my opinion, you know, the
7	criteria might be if you had five sampling
8	locations in your landfill and four of them
9	were dry consistently for two years, you
10	know, we might go in there and say, well, we
11	don't we want to go back to those
12	landfills and have somebody, you know, put a
13	sampling device down, you know, on a periodic
14	basis.
15	If we have flow-through manholes
16	and we have sampling locations, but they're
17	hydraulically connected to a single point, we
18	might make a petition to the Agency that
19	might be, you know, sufficient criteria for
20	looking at that type of thing as far as what
21	we looked at.
22	But I think in fairness to the
23	Agency, we haven't come in with anything and
24	they probably haven't recalled any criteria

1	yet.
2	MR. RAO: I just wanted to understand
3	under what circumstance is this provision
4	being implemented?
5	MR. SCHUBERT: We typically have
6	multiple points now. But what this
7	regulation does is it makes it a requirement.
8	Before, it was just, you know, put into our
9	permits and could be appealed and, you know,
10	could potentially be appealed as being not
11	consistent with the rule. Now, it will be
12	obvious that it's consistent with the rule.
13	MR. RAO: Thank you.
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
15	questions on Proposed Amendment No. 7 then?
16	(No verbal response.)
17	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Proceeding then
18	to Proposed Amendment No. 8 for Section
19	811.309(g)(5). Are there questions for the
20	Association as Proponent or for the Agency on
21	this issue?
22	Ms. Andria, I see your hand.
23	MS. ANDRIA: Yes. I wondered if this
2.4	would if you're doing this for all

1	landfills, would it not be not restrictive
2	enough for, say, a loose, sandy soil where a
3	landfill was located very close to an aquifer
4	in a floodplain, say, that might the
5	contaminants might move more quickly? Would
6	that not be the case?
7	MR. BALLENGER: The frequency of the
8	leachate monitoring doesn't change the
9	frequency of our groundwater monitoring
10	program. So we still have a scheduled
11	groundwater monitoring event regardless that
12	is, of course, there to potentially indicate
13	whether or not we're seeing some sort of
14	release in the facility.
15	So although you may not be
16	monitoring those leachate points as
17	frequently, the groundwater monitoring
18	program, which is the perimeter wells, of
19	course, around the landfills stays the same.
20	MS. ANDRIA: So what is the benefit
21	other than cost and less frequent leachate
22	monitoring?
23	MR. BALLENGER: Well, in general,
24	we've seen over the years that the leachate

1	quality either hasn't changed much or, in
2	fact, in some cases, when you have very new
3	garbage input in a brand new cell, the
4	leachate is going to be a bit different and
5	there's not much of a change in quality over
6	time. We've been doing this for many, many,
7	many years of quarterly monitoring these
8	sites and have been able to show that we're
9	not seeing a big change in the leachate
10	quality.
11	(Whereupon, a discussion
12	was had off the record.)
13	MR. BALLENGER: Overall, there's not
14	really a general decrease in frequency of
15	when we're doing leachate monitoring.
16	MS. ANDRIA: The studies that you
17	referred to and the testing that you've done,
18	is that available? You have a whole lot of
19	things that you've used as bases for your
20	studies and you indicate that you're trying
21	to get a broad constituent supporting this,
22	but you've made not anything available to the
23	public that we can review the data so that we
24	can make an informed comment on it and maybe

1	look at it and see and maybe agree with you
2	100 percent, but we maybe not.
3	And since we weren't provided it,
4	it gives us a little more queasy feeling
5	about going forward and supporting this
6	without seeing the data that you base your
7	assumptions on.
8	MR. SCHUBERT: All of our data, you
9	know, filed with the Agency is available for
10	review. That's really what he had mentioned.
11	We have been looking at this for a long we
12	have been providing this data for a long time
13	and, like I said, it's been required by our
14	permits but not necessarily in regulation.
15	MR. JOHNSON: As I understand it, we
16	did summarize the references of the
17	peer-reviewed journal articles that we relied
18	on and provided those. We do have hard
19	copies of those, as well. But those would
20	all be available on-line.
21	MS. ANDRIA: Are they available at the
22	Agency's office that people could go in to
23	review?

MR. NORTHRUP: We can certainly copy

1	them and give them to you.
2	MS. ANDRIA: I would very much
3	appreciate that. And, also, the list that
4	you supplied in your errata sheet that you
5	gave your sources, if any of those has a
6	website link that we can go to, that would be
7	very helpful, also.
8	MR. NORTHRUP: Okay. I don't know if
9	they do, but
10	MR. JOHNSON: I have a lot of them.
11	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And,
12	Ms. Andria and please correct me,
13	Mr. Northrup, if I'm mistaken. I think
14	you've used the same term to apply to a
15	couple of different things. There was the
16	errata sheet which submitted changes that the
17	Association wished to make in its original
18	proposal. And thus, as a second filing or a
19	second document, the Association also in
20	response to a Board order filed a fairly
21	lengthy list candidly of documents, studies
22	and other research that they had relied upon.
23	And I believe that was filed on January 16th
24	with the errata sheet, but those would be two

1	separate documents and two separate questions
2	that those are addressing.
3	MS. ANDRIA: I apologize.
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: No. No worries.
5	I just wanted to make sure there was no
6	misunderstanding about that. And while
7	you've noted that all of those perhaps are
8	not posted to the web, I can certainly check
9	with our clerk's office and ask them to scan
10	those so that they're available to see more
11	quickly.
12	MS. ANDRIA: I would very much
13	appreciate that. Thank you.
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And let me
15	double check. Ms. Andria, did you have a
16	further question?
17	MS. ANDRIA: I will defer to
18	Ms. Blumenshine.
19	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Ms. Blumenshine?
20	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Thank you very much.
21	Just to follow up, I simply wanted to clarify
22	that in Amendment 8 where each established
23	leachate monitoring location shall be
24	monitored once every two years was your

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literature review for determining that every 1 two years is adequate just on literature from industry or did it include public health, as Ms. Andria mentioned, wetland literature, other literature that involved this section 5 of concerns?

> MR. JOHNSON: Our literature review with respect to this No. 8 was specific to the parameters detected in leachate and the frequency of monitoring to establish those detections. And in consideration of the stages that a landfill goes through, which are very well understood now, that before, in the old way of looking at it, we had more frequent monitoring early on in the landfill. And early on, what we typically monitor is precipitation falling on new land areas. It's not really reflective of what that source will ultimately become.

> So with this proposal, we maintain a semiannual, it's not every two years. We monitor semiannually and we better account for the fact that the leachate that we're really interested in understanding is the

1	stuff that develops over time, not the
2	initial.
3	MS. BLUMENSHINE: I'm sorry. I
4	understand that you do monitor semiannually,
5	but each location would be monitored at least
6	once every two years
7	MR. JOHNSON: Correct.
8	MS. BLUMENSHINE: and there are
9	areas that could then not be monitored for
10	two years?
11	MR. JOHNSON: That's correct. But
12	there would be some sample collected on a
13	semiannual basis to that landfill unit.
14	MS. BLUMENSHINE: I guess my question
15	was the basis then to assess that that would
16	be safe for the public, what is the proof in
17	the literature that states that every
18	two years by missing wells that you would not
19	be missing important measurements? I didn't
20	know. Is that in your literature review?
21	MR. HILBERT: Could I just clarify
22	more of a global point? When we're talking
23	about leachate monitoring, we're talking
24	about characterizing a potential source, a

1	source that's contained within a Subtitle D
2	landfill. And it's just so that we can
3	understand what we need to monitor and that
4	there isn't something inordinate that has
5	occurred within that source.
6	So when we're talking about
7	monitoring it every six months, we're really
8	just looking at what we're containing and not
9	what is potentially in the environment. It's
10	within our contained system.
11	MR. RAO: As a follow-up, Mr. Hilbert,
12	what you're proposing is a change in
13	frequency over the first two years of the
14	initial two-year period of monitoring of
15	leachate, isn't it? The Board rules require
16	you to monitor on a quarterly basis over the
17	first eight quarters, and then it switches to
18	semiannual. So all you're saying is the
19	first two years it's okay to monitor on a
20	semiannual basis?
21	MR. HILBERT: Correct.
22	MR. RAO: And in Mr. Johnson's
23	testimony he referred to four quarters of
24	initial monitoring. Actually, the rules

1	require eight quarters. So your rationale
2	still holds that the initial monitoring
3	period is not very representative of the
4	leachate characteristics
5	MR. JOHNSON: Right.
6	MR. RAO: in place?
7	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
8	questions then with regard to Proposed
9	Amendment No. 8?
10	(No verbal response.)
11	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Moving on to
12	Proposed Amendment No. 9 with regard to 811,
13	Appendix C, this is, of course, for the
14	record, the subject, I believe, Mr. Northrup,
15	of the two errata sheets filed by the
16	Association and which has been the subject of
17	some discussion already. Are there further
18	questions with regard to Appendix C?
19	Ms. Blumenshine, I see your hand.
20	MS. BLUMENSHINE: I just would wish to
21	ask if having this specific list will in any
22	way impair or hamper the Agency, IEPA, if
23	they would wish to require additional testing
24	for other specifics pollutants? What other

1	procedure would you have to do if you wanted
2	additional things tested?
3	MR. LIEBMAN: I think the wording
4	still allows us to require more in cases
5	where we think it's necessary.
6	MS. BLUMENSHINE: So there would be no
7	specific aggregates requiring that unit to go
8	through any other procedure?
9	MR. LIEBMAN: That's the way I read
10	the proposed regulations, yes.
11	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Anything further
12	on the part of the Agency?
13	MR. LIEBMAN: No.
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Very good.
15	Moving on to Proposed Amendment No. 10 with
16	regard to Section $811.315(e)(1)(G)(1)$ . Are
17	there any questions of the Association as
18	proponent or of the Agency on this issue?
19	Ms. Andria?
20	MS. ANDRIA: I'd like to ask the
21	Agency since I'm not really I don't really
22	understand all of the wording and I'm not
23	familiar with the groundwater rules and how
24	it refers back to the public water supply

1	standard. Is this a substantive change? The
2	way they're wording it, it's not a
3	substantive change. It's just something that
4	they're required to change.
5	So I guess I wanted to know from
6	the Agency, referring to the rules involving
7	the groundwater standards, is that less
8	protective than it would be if it were a
9	direct public water supply source?
10	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And if I may
11	jump in, Ms. Andria? Looking at Page 3 of
12	Mr. Johnson's pre-filed testimony, he did not
13	include that with the list that he considered
14	non-substantive. So I did want to clarify
15	that.
16	MS. ANDRIA: I realize that. That's
17	why I'm asking. It sort of infers in Mr
18	in the pre-filed testimony that this is not a
19	big change, not a substantive change. So I
20	guess I'm asking the Agency is there a change
21	in water quality standards between the
22	groundwater standards found at 620 and what
23	was in the record now at public or food
24	processing water supply standards at 302?

1	MS. THOMPSON: If there is some
2	differences there may be some differences,
3	but I could not tell you exactly what they
4	are at this time. At the time that these
5	rules these regulations for landfills were
6	promulgated, 620s were being evaluated for
7	rulemaking, but they were not enforced.
8	If they had been enforced at that
9	point in time, you would be reading 620 in
10	here as far as the standards as opposed to
11	302. The 620s were not promulgated at that
12	point in time and so the 302 standards, which
13	were the only existing standards at that
14	time, were put in instead. 620 is equally
15	protective and it is evaluated for human
16	health standards.
17	MS. ANDRIA: Okay. In an English
18	person's language, I mean, a common person
19	like me who is not an engineer or an
20	attorney, it is every bit as protective, the
21	groundwater standards, as public water supply
22	standards?
23	MS. THOMPSON: The 620s, when they
2.4	wore promulgated were evaluated for human

1	health and environment and it is protective
2	of human health and environment, yes.
3	MS. ANDRIA: As protective is my
4	question.
5	MS. THOMPSON: If you're asking me if
6	a number is exactly the same as a 302 number,
7	I cannot answer that. I can say that it is
8	protective.
9	MS. ANDRIA: I would respectfully
10	request that when you testify at the next
11	hearing that you find that out because that's
12	very much a concern of people. There are
13	still people in our area on wells and in
14	sandy soil where it moves quickly through.
15	So if there's change in the water quality
16	standard in this, we would very much like to
17	know so we can make proper comment on that.
18	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And, Ms. Andria,
19	just as a point of information, the original
20	landfill rules were adopted in a proceeding
21	docketed at R88-7, which took effect in 1990.
22	And the groundwater standards took effect in
23	a docket 89-14R, which took effect at the

very end of calendar year 1991. So I think

1	that's the timing issue that the Agency and,
2	I believe, the Association, as well, were
3	referring to.
4	MS. ANDRIA: So it's just a change in
5	wording, not a change in water quality
6	standards?
7	HEARING OFFICER FOX: That would be a
8	characterization for the Proponent to make.
9	I'll leave that to them to respond to.
10	MS. ANDRIA: Could they, please?
11	MR. SCHUBERT: We have to look at
12	that.
13	MR. JOHNSON: I think that's generally
14	accurate, but we'd want to look at it.
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: That makes
16	perfect sense.
17	MS. GEVING: Would they be responding
18	to that at the next hearing then?
19	HEARING OFFICER FOX: I'm sorry.
20	MS. GEVING: Would the Proponent be
21	responding to that
22	MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
23	MS. GEVING: at the next hearing?
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1	indicated they will.
2	MR. NORTHRUP: AS you will, as well.
3	MS. GEVING: That's right.
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Are there any
5	further questions on Proposed Amendment No.
6	10.
7	MR. RAO: Can I go back and just make
8	an additional request for the Proponent? In
9	that same section where we are replacing the
10	public and food processing water supply
11	standards with the Illinois groundwater
12	quality standards, would you also take a look
13	to see, you know, there are like three sets
14	of standards under R6-20, the Class 1, Class
15	2 and Class 3, will you also take a look at
16	it to see which groundwater standards would
17	apply to landfills? Because my understanding
18	is Class 1 is based on the MCLs, which is
19	equivalent to these public water supply
20	standards. But if it's Class 2 or Class 3,
21	it may not be the same. It may still be
22	protective. I'm not sure. I'd like you to
23	take a look at that and address that.
2.4	MS THOMPSON: That would be Class 1

1	MR. RAO: So should we say Class 1 in
2	this proposal?
3	MR. HILBERT: The default standard is
4	Class 1. That is the standard.
5	MR. RAO: Okay.
6	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
7	questions then on Proposed Amendment No. 10?
8	(No verbal response.)
9	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Mr. Johnson did
10	indicate that Proposed Amendment No. 11 was
11	non-substantive and I think it simply adds a
12	subsection to a citation. If Mr. Johnson
13	still believes that's non-substantive and
14	there's no objection from either the Agency
15	or any other participant, why don't we
16	proceed to Proposed Amendment No. 12.
17	MR. NORTHRUP: One quick question on
18	Mr. Rao's last question. Are you satisfied
19	with that answer or do you want us to address
20	that, as well?
21	MR. RAO: If the default is Class 1
22	actually, that's not my concern. I'm just
23	following up on Ms. Andria's question about
2.4	whether it's equally protective or not. So

1	that's where I was coming from, to see
2	whether Class 1 is equally protective of
3	what's being changed or proposed here.
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Returning to No.
5	11, is it still Mr. Johnson's
6	characterization that this is non-substantive
7	and is there any dispute with that
8	characterization on the part of the Agency?
9	MS. GEVING: No objection.
10	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none,
11	let's proceed to No. 12, proposing to amend
12	Section 811.318(e)(6)(B). Are there
13	questions either of the Association as
14	Proponent or the Agency on this issue?
15	(No verbal response.)
16	HEARING OFFICER FOX: As proceeding,
17	Mr. Johnson has indicated that Proposed
18	Amendment Nos. 13, 14 and 15 are
19	non-substantive. Once again, if he continues
20	to believe that that is the case and there's
21	no objection from any of the other
22	participants, including the Agency, we can
23	proceed.
24	(No verbal response.)

1	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Hearing no
2	dispute, about that characterization, let's
3	proceed to Proposed Amendment No. 16. That
4	proposes to amend Section 811.318(e)(7). Are
5	there questions of the Association as
б	Proponent or of the Agency on this issue?
7	Yes, Ms. Andria?
8	MS. ANDRIA: Going to five years, I
9	wondered if different things happened to a
10	well that is in a floodplain with a high
11	water table then would be would that need
12	more frequent checking whatever the proper
13	word is for information?
14	MR. JOHNSON: The purpose of this
15	well-depth measurement was to measure whether
16	or not there's been silication occurring at
17	the monitoring wells. And when these
18	regulations were originally adopted,
19	procedures for monitoring were often used
20	bailer and they introduced some turbidity in
21	the well.
22	Since that time, we've
23	standardized on the dedicated sampling pumps
24	which are made out of Teflon. And the reason

1	that we have standardized on these is to
2	prevent cross-contamination from someone
3	actually lowering a bailer and minimizing the
4	effects of turbidity which can yield to
5	silication. So the language differentiates
6	between wells that have that dedicated
7	systems and those that do not.
8	So if a particular well was still
9	sampling with a bailer system in a
10	floodplain, as you suggested, it would still
11	have to perform these measurements annually.
12	MS. ANDRIA: Do they change their
13	function when they're if, like, the water
14	comes up, the freeze/thaw problems, do they
15	operate properly if you would that not be
16	a better idea to check them more frequently
17	when they're in the floodplain like that?
18	MR. JOHNSON: It really isn't because
19	we want to leave that equipment down the
20	hole. It's all been decontaminated. When we
21	buy it, we get a certificate that it is free
22	of organics and other contaminants.
23	What we've learned is when we're
24	pulling all that equipment out, you know,

1	you can imagine in a field that might have a
2	well 20, 30, 40 feet deep, there's tubing
3	that goes all the way down these pumps. And
4	when you pull that out, you have to very
5	carefully put it in a decontaminated
6	environment or you actually introduce
7	contamination in the well.
8	MS. ANDRIA: Is it possible that the
9	shifting of the sand in the aquifer, the
10	water, the rising of the river up and down
11	would change something there that needed to
12	be checked?
13	MR. JOHNSON: No. Really, these are
14	within a PVC or steel well to prevent any of
15	that shifting. These pumps are inside an
16	enclosed environment.
17	MS. ANDRIA: And the PVC doesn't shift
18	either?
19	MR. JOHNSON: It generally doesn't
20	shift.
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
22	questions on Proposed Amendment No. 16?
23	(No verbal response.)
24	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none,

1	Mr. Johnson, once again, has characterized
2	Proposed Amendment 17 as non-substantive. If
3	he has not changed his opinion on that and
4	there's no dispute from the Agency or others,
5	we can proceed.
6	(No verbal response.)
7	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none,
8	Proposed Amendment No. 18 regarding Section
9	811.319(a)(2)(A)(ii), are there questions of
10	the Association as Proponent or of the Agency
11	on this question?
12	Ms. Blumenshine, I see your hand.
13	MS. BLUMENSHINE: I did mean to ask,
14	please, the determination that any location
15	accepting more than 50 percent by volume of
16	non-municipal waste must be determining
17	additional indicators, what was the rational
18	for that 50 percent? I was just concerned
19	that maybe that would be more protective of
20	the environment based on perhaps the type of
21	waste coming in, more indicative of the
22	specific locations of the waste.
23	MR. JOHNSON: The thinking behind that
24	was that if we had that volume of material,

1	that we would then add in the parameters that
2	are more reflective that perhaps would be
3	present in the leachate from a facility with
4	those characteristics into the detection
5	(inaudible)
6	THE COURT REPORTER: I'm sorry? Into
7	the?
8	MR. JOHNSON: Into the routine
9	detection quarterly monitoring program.
10	THE COURT REPORTER: Okay. I can't
11	hear you. You need to turn toward me.
12	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Thank you. I just
13	didn't understand if 50 percent was a tipping
14	point or was an arbitrary number or if, like,
15	40 percent would be more protective or how
16	that 50 percent was determined.
17	MR. SCHUBERT: Frankly, we looked
18	this was a source of a lot of discussion
19	between the Agency and ourselves when we were
20	putting this together. And we looked at
21	landfills with varying percentages of non-MSW
22	and made a judgment, you know, based on the
23	leachate characteristics of those landfills
24	that they wouldn't substantially change

1	unless they were, you know, 50 percent
2	non-MSW.
3	MR. RAO: I have a follow-up. This is
4	more of a clarification question about that
5	requirement that you have proposed as a note.
6	Should this be an actual requirement in the
7	rules instead of, you know, a Board note in
8	the rules that additional monitoring would be
9	required if 50 percent of the waste more
10	than 50 percent by volume is not municipal
11	solid waste?
12	MR. SCHUBERT: Well, I think it's
12 13	MR. SCHUBERT: Well, I think it's appropriate where it's at because there are
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13	appropriate where it's at because there are so many different scenarios that could arise,
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13 14 15 16	appropriate where it's at because there are so many different scenarios that could arise, you know, that you may want to include. You may want to include other parameters.
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than the MSW.

1	Over that period of time, you need
2	to you know, I guess the Agency would take
3	a look at a situation like that and say, hold
4	on, we need to add, you know, more parameters
5	to your list to reflect, you know, the
6	possible, you know, contaminants in that new
7	type of leachate that would be, you know,
8	from the addition of stabilized fly ash
9	because now you're over 50 percent and your
10	leachate looks a little different than it
11	would if it were just MSW. Does that answer
12	your question.
13	MR. RAO: Do you see any circumstances
14	where you can have a non-municipal solid
15	waste more than 50 percent by volume where
16	you'd not require additional monitoring?
17	MR. SCHUBERT: It could be a very
18	inert material. Say it was contaminated soil
19	from the clean-up of a gas station. Well,
20	levitec (phonetic), which would be your main
21	constituent of interest in that case, are
22	included in the list for this landfill, so
23	maybe they wouldn't want to add any. Could
2.4	be. Things change a lot.

1	I mean, you're trying to cover a
2	lot of circumstances in that single Board
3	note or that single note in the
4	regulations. And I guess I could think of an
5	instance that would be practical.
6	MR. RAO: I'm not an authority, but
7	I've always been told these Board notes are
8	not enforceable.
9	MR. SCHUBERT: If that's your
10	question, I'm not an attorney either. I
11	don't know.
12	MR. RAO: Right. Well, I was just
13	asking that for the record.
14	MR. NORTHRUP: I would not take that
15	position. For me, it doesn't make a
16	difference whether it says it's a note or
17	whether it's got its own designation. I
18	think it's equally enforceable as a note. I
19	don't know if that's the Agency's position or
20	not.
21	MS. GEVING: Let me answer that by
22	suggesting maybe if we roll this into more of
23	a requirement than an explanation and a Board
24	note? Would you be amenable to that?

1	MR. NORTHRUP: Yes.
2	MS. GEVING: Okay. Maybe we can work
3	together on that for an errata sheet number
4	three.
5	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
6	discussion on Proposed Amendment No. 18?
7	(No verbal response.)
8	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Moving ahead to
9	Proposed I'm sorry, Ms. Andria. I didn't
10	see your hand.
11	MS. ANDRIA: I wanted to ask about
12	removing the dissolved iron and manganese.
13	Are we still on that one, the detection
14	monitoring?
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: I believe so,
16	yes.
17	MS. ANDRIA: I wanted to understand
18	why they want to move remove dissolved
19	iron and manganese from the quarterly
20	sampling list.
21	MR. JOHNSON: I can answer that
22	question. The dissolved iron and manganese
23	are both naturally occurring compounds in the
24	groundwater and we've got a lot of experience

1	monitoring for those two compounds and doing
2	our statistical analyses on the data.
3	We've seen those frequently in the
4	groundwater both upgradient and downgradient
5	and, frankly, even at facilities that have
6	not yet begun to accept waste as triggering
7	us into assessment monitoring.
8	So, in short, they're not very
9	effective detection monitoring parameters.
10	We have more effective parameters that we
11	have proposed with this rulemaking.
12	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Ms. Andria.
13	MS. ANDRIA: But wouldn't I mean,
14	we have high iron and manganese in our
15	water in our groundwater. You're saying
16	then that you should just not monitor for
17	that as part of the detection monitoring
18	system?
19	MR. JOHNSON: Ideally, for detection
20	monitoring, we want a list of parameters that
21	is most indicative of a problem the landfill
22	has caused. And you mentioned you have these
23	parameters in your well. And I do, as well,
24	in my own well, which is the reason that it's

1	hard to virtually impossible to
2	distinguish high iron, high manganese as
3	being a source from a landfill or is it a
4	result of a natural condition because it is
5	high in natural groundwater.
6	MS. ANDRIA: Wouldn't you be able to
7	do background testing to have something to
8	compare, and then if there's a spike, then
9	you could naturally assume that it was coming
10	from a landfill? But if you don't test it
11	for all, you're not getting any levels of
12	iron or manganese, which I think is
13	problematic.
14	MR. JOHNSON: You really cannot make
15	that interpretation with iron and manganese
16	because increases in them can be caused by
17	factors totally unrelated to the landfills.
18	So even if you do have background data and
19	establish a high level, and that level then
20	goes up, that does not necessarily mean that
21	there's been a landfill impact.
22	It can be a number of other
23	causes, which we've kind of been in a circle
24	examining those other causes for many, many

1	years, which is one of basis for this
2	approach to remove those parameters and add
3	some parameters that are more conservative
4	that aren't subject to that interference in
5	the natural conditions.
6	MS. ANDRIA: But if you're not
7	testing, then you're not finding out that
8	there is a problem. And it doesn't
9	necessarily have to be your fault, but
10	because you're there testing for it, then I
11	think, you know, you have the opportunity to
12	address it.
13	And a lot of the landfills take in
14	special waste, which could yield spikes in
15	iron and manganese, I believe. And so I
16	think I find that very problematic to just
17	remove them rather than you can make a case
18	that we didn't cause it.
19	MR. JOHNSON: You know, our goal is to
20	as accurately as possible be able to tell
21	when we're having an impact on the
22	environment. And, frankly, these parameters
23	have not, in the history that we've monitored
24	for them in the literature that we've looked

1	at, added to that goal. They add confusion.
2	MS. ANDRIA: Okay. Just for the
3	record, too, that's our goal, we want to make
4	sure that it's all everything is monitored
5	and attributed.
6	I also wondered if this is also to
7	be removed, antimony, barium, beryllium,
8	cobalt, copper, nickel, selenium, silver,
9	thallium and vanadium. If that's still meant
10	to be removed from the program of detection
11	monitoring.
12	MR. SCHUBERT: Yes.
13	MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
14	MS. ANDRIA: And the reason for those?
15	MR. JOHNSON: The removals the
16	metal compounds that you listed for removal
17	are monitored for as totals, meaning that the
18	samples are collected and they're not
19	filtered. And the reason that we're
20	proposing to remove these is that the
21	concentrations that we measure when we do
22	those tests are also reflective of the
23	suspended sediment in the sample and not the
2.4	actual dissolving groundwater. We still

1	maintain a number of those metals in the
2	monitoring program as dissolved constituents.
3	In addition, they're not
4	they've been shown in the literature that
5	we've cited to not be mobile in groundwater
6	and not to be present in leachate at a high
7	contrast between groundwater and leachate.
8	MS. ANDRIA: In your pre-filed
9	testimony, you said that most other state
10	programs have eliminated the monitoring of
11	many of these parameters. Which have they
12	not eliminated?
13	MR. JOHNSON: It kind of depends on
14	the state. There are some states that have
15	eliminated all of them. Most notably,
16	Kansas. There are other states. Indiana, I
17	believe. Minnesota, also, I believe,
18	eliminates all the total analyses. I did see
19	some correspondence from South Dakota that
20	they're also eliminating the total metals.
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
22	questions on that issue.
23	MR. RAO: I may have.
24	MS. LIU: I do, too. Mr. Johnson,

1	Ms. Andria was asking you about the list that
2	involved manganese and iron being eliminated.
3	I also noticed in your discussion you mention
4	that it also included phenols, but phenols
5	didn't make your final list in the proposed
6	regulations, but there wasn't any reasoning
7	given to why that one was removed. Could you
8	follow-up on that one, as well?
9	MR. JOHNSON: Yes. That's a good
10	point. Phenols have been added back in on
11	the being they are an organic compound,
12	they're added into the organic monitoring
13	list, which will be done two times per year.
14	MS. LIU: Thank you.
15	MR. RAO: Mr. Johnson, you were
16	talking about the monitoring of the total
17	metals. And in your proposal under
18	Section $811.319(a)(2)(A)(ii)$ , the list of
19	constituents, they're all indicated as
20	dissolved concentrations. Could you clarify
21	these for the record whether landfills are
22	currently required to sample for dissolved
23	concentrations for most of these sample
24	parameters or are they required to monitor

1	for the total?
2	MR. JOHNSON: Presently, we monitor
3	for most of these, both total and dissolved.
4	MR. RAO: Both?
5	MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
6	MR. RAO: Thank you.
7	MR. JOHNSON: And we do that once per
8	year under the existing regulations for the
9	totals.
10	MR. RAO: Is that a requirement by
11	regulations or is it an Agency permit
12	requirement?
13	MR. JOHNSON: It originally was out of
14	the federal regulations, Subtitle D. And I
15	believe that's how it was incorporated into
16	the Illinois regulations.
17	MR. RAO: Thanks.
18	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Ms. Andria.
19	MS. ANDRIA: My understanding of this
20	section, the detection monitoring program for
21	which the heavy metals I was just talking
22	about had been taken out is just to assess
23	when there's a problem. And then the second
2.4	part of it is the assessment monitoring that

1	is conducted after there is a problem. And I
2	note that you say that monitoring for the
3	specific total metals is included in the
4	assessment monitoring program. If they are
5	included in after there's a problem, then
6	shouldn't they be included in the beginning?
7	I mean, you're admitting that
8	sometimes they're going to make it to that
9	final stage where there's a problem, so
10	you're testing it after the groundwater
11	contamination has occurred.
12	MR. JOHNSON: The monitoring program
13	that we have is based on detection and then
14	assessment. So in the detection phase, we're
15	performing statistical tests on the inorganic
16	parameters and we're looking at the volatile
17	organic compounds. We want to look at those
18	parameters that are going to provide us with
19	the most clear indication of what's going on
20	between the landfill and in the surrounding
21	environment.
22	If we do detect a potential
23	problem, then we broaden our sampling, which

problem, then we broaden our sampling, which is consistent with the Illinois regulations

1	as well as the federal, to make sure to
2	double check and make sure that there are not
3	additional parameters that we were not
4	monitoring for in the detection that are
5	present. And so that's the method of
6	monitoring that this system is based on.
7	MS. ANDRIA: Wouldn't it be more
8	protective to just include them in the first
9	place so you didn't have to get to the point
10	where you'd have to clean them up and you
11	could stop whatever was contaminating,
12	whatever the source was, at a sooner stage
13	and it would save you money?
14	MR. JOHNSON: As I stated earlier, the
15	total metals have really not been a problem,
16	they've not been really a useful detection
17	monitoring parameter. But they are included
18	and added to the list for purposes of
19	completion.
20	MS. ANDRIA: Okay.
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: If there are no
22	immediate questions, I'll note that we've
23	been underway for about 90 minutes and it's
24	probably an appropriate time to break for

Т	funch. Why don't we do so and return here in
2	60 minutes at quarter to 2:00.
3	And, although, we have inevitably
4	discussed some of the substance of Proposed
5	Amendment 19, we can begin there.
6	Mr. Northrup, it looks like you
7	have a comment.
8	MR. NORTHRUP: I do have one
9	clarification from Mr. Hilbert.
10	MR. HILBERT: I just would like to
11	offer clarification on Mr. Rao's question on
12	whether or not totals were required by
13	regulations or by permit. They currently are
14	required by permit. And we monitor them once
15	per year by permit.
16	MR. RAO: Thank you very much because
17	I didn't find it in the rules.
18	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We'll see you in
19	60 minutes at quarter to 2:00 then. Thank
20	you.
21	(Whereupon, after a lunch
22	break was had, the
23	following proceedings
24	were held accordingly.)

1	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We're back on
2	the record after a break for lunch. I did
3	have two quick housekeeping issues to bring
4	up. I believe it was you, Ms. Andria, that
5	had asked about the links on the Board
6	website to the various documents that had
7	been filed in this case.
8	And while we had the break, I did
9	call that docket sheet up and it appeared
10	that there was an opportunity for each of the
11	documents filed to date to be downloaded and
12	printed from the Board's website. So I
13	believe that that issue has been resolved
14	just since we began earlier this morning.
15	Member Moore, secondly, pointed
16	out that in describing the filing that the
17	Association had made last week listing the
18	published reports and studies on which they
19	had relied in preparing their proposal, that
20	I may have left you with the impression that
21	the Board's records included actual copies,
22	full-text copies of those documents. And
23	consistent with the Board's rules, what they
24	did was file a list that contained a very

1	specific citation to those that appear it
2	appears that those would be perfectly helpful
3	online or in any library in finding those.
4	But to clarify, it did not include the full
5	text of what I think were probably 50 or 60
6	documents.
7	So I didn't want to create an
8	impression on your part that that couldn't be
9	fulfilled by the documents that are on file
10	with the Board.
11	MS. ANDRIA: Thank you very much.
12	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Surely. Mr.
13	Northrup, you had a question.
14	MR. NORTHRUP: Yeah. We'd like to do
15	just a real quick two-minute recap of this
16	morning's events.
17	MR. HILBERT: Just to ensure that
18	everybody is real clear with what our goals
19	were when we set out to propose some changes
20	to the rules as they exist, I thought it
21	would be helpful just to kind of briefly
22	summarize what the areas that we have
23	proposed some amendments to do and then what
24	our goal was and how we set about to try and

1	improve on those rules.
2	What we really looked at, and the
3	focus of this rulemaking, is the monitoring
4	of landfills, not only just the monitoring in
5	all aspects. So we're proposing changes to
6	the leachate regulations that's monitoring
7	the characteristics of landfills to
8	understand what's in a landfill and what we
9	should be focusing on as far as ensuring that
10	we are aware of any potential impacts to the
11	environment.
12	In addition to that, we looked at
13	changes to the detection monitoring program
14	that would allow us to focus on those things
15	that were most important, ensuring that we
16	were protective of the environment in
17	removing those things that really just didn't
18	do didn't provide any benefit to
19	accomplishing that goal.
20	And in many instances in the
21	course of looking at that, we added
22	additional language to the rules that were
23	either things that were done by permit that

24 weren't specifically in the rules just to

1	clarify exactly what it is that we should be
2	accomplishing and we added additional
3	requirements that weren't there as far as
4	monitoring.
5	We did remove certain things from
6	the monitoring program, but they really are
7	things that add no clarity to the monitoring
8	program whatsoever. And I'm not sure if it's
9	clear that that's what we had in mind with
10	the objectives.
11	And as an industry, our goal is to
12	ensure that we are protective of the
13	environment. And our industries hurt when
14	there's instances where there are impacts
15	from landfill facilities, and so we certainly
16	wouldn't want to do anything that would
17	project a negative image on our industry or
18	do anything that would be a risk to the
19	general public health safety or the welfare
20	of the environment.
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Very good.
22	Before taking our break, it was my
23	recollection that we did complete discussion
24	of Proposed Amendment No. 18. And while we

1	inevitably had been discussing the substance
2	of Proposed Amendment 19, and we can begin
3	there, that Proposed Amendment addresses
4	Section $811.319(a)(2)(A)(ii)$ , and contains a
5	specific list of indicator contaminants.
6	Are there, for either the
7	Association as the Proponent or the Agency,
8	any questions relating to the substance of
9	Proposed Amendment No. 19?
10	(No verbal response.)
11	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Very well.
12	Seeing none yes, Ms. Andria.
13	MS. ANDRIA: Do we count in those
14	questions? When you asked about I think
15	the Board and the Agency should go first with
16	questions.
17	HEARING OFFICER FOX: If you have a
18	question relating to No. 19, it appears that
19	you are the only participant to do so, so
20	please proceed if you have one.
21	MS. ANDRIA: I am confused about
22	phenols. Are they in or out?
23	MR. JOHNSON: As stated earlier, the
24	phenols are in. They've been moved out of

1	the quarterly. They're in the semiannual
2	organic program. So they're in.
3	MS. ANDRIA: And I have another
4	question about the dissolved mercury. And
5	I'm not a scientist and don't really know.
6	Is dissolved mercury the same as
7	methylmercury?
8	MR. JOHNSON: Dissolved mercury is an
9	all-encompassing test that would include
10	methylmercury in it inherently.
11	MS. ANDRIA: Thank you.
12	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
13	questions pertaining to Proposed Amendment
14	No. 19?
15	(No verbal response.)
16	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Proceeding to
17	Proposed Amendment No. 20 relating to
18	Section $811.319(a)(3)(A)(i)$ , for either the
19	Association or the Agency are there any
20	questions pertaining to that issue on the
21	part of any of the participants?
22	(No verbal response.)
23	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none at
24	this time, we'll move on to Proposed

1	Amendment No. 21. Once again, Mr. Johnson's
2	pre-filed testimony indicates that that was
3	non-substantive and appears to merely correct
4	a typographical error drawing on the original
5	proposal. If that's still you're assessment,
6	Mr. Johnson
7	MR. JOHNSON: Yes.
8	HEARING OFFICER FOX: and neither
9	the Agency or any other participant has any
10	reason to dispute that, we'll go ahead to
11	Proposed Amendment No. 22 relating to
12	Section 811.319(a)(3)(C). And on that issue
13	are there questions from any of the
14	participants either for the Association as
15	Proponent or the Agency?
16	(No verbal response.)
17	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none at
18	this time, we'll proceed to Proposed
19	Amendment No. 23 that relates to
20	Section 811.319(a)(4)(A)(i). Questions
21	relating to the language of that proposal.
22	Yes, Ms. Andria?
23	MS. ANDRIA: This changes the
2.4	progressive increase over four monitoring

1	events to a progressive increase over eight
2	monitoring events and I think you say
3	something about the reducing the chance of
4	false positives. Is there any chance of
5	false negatives with the changes that you're
6	proposing?
7	MR. JOHNSON: Not really.
8	MS. ANDRIA: Because?
9	MR. JOHNSON: The four- to
10	eight-quarter change is just reflective of
11	current statistical practices. This is an
12	extra statistical test that we do in Illinois
13	that we really don't do anywhere else that's
14	designed to identify trends real small
15	trends that wouldn't be identified in our
16	normal statistics.
17	MS. ANDRIA: I'd like to go back to my
18	mythical landfill in the Mississippi River
19	floodplain. When the water is up and the
20	direction is toward a landfill, pushing it in
21	a different direction, it could and that
22	happens seasonally, you're asking to double
23	the size, the lengths, the number of
24	monitoring events, and I think that there

1	could be something that happens in the
2	interim with the water levels of the river
3	that would change that. And I think that
4	making the length of it would appear to be
5	too long a period.
6	And you had talked earlier about
7	spatial, temporal kinds of inconsistencies.
8	Wouldn't that then not allow something like
9	the river coming up and going in a different
10	direction to be adequately assessed?
11	MR. JOHNSON: This Item 23 that we're
12	talking about just pertains to one of the
13	many statistical tests that we do. The
14	remaining tests that we do, the bulk of our
15	testing is done on a reoccurring basis every
16	quarter. So I think the answer is, no, that
17	we would be doing these tests continually.
18	This is just an extra test that we also do to
19	look at it over a longer period.
20	MS. ANDRIA: But it appears from my
21	reading that every change that you have
22	requested either requires you to twice as
23	long to get to do the testing or half as
24	much testing; is that a fair

1	characterization?
2	MR. JOHNSON: No. No. This is really
3	tailoring the testing we are doing to our
4	experience in working with these regulations
5	and monitoring the landfills over a long
6	period of time, over ten years.
7	This particular provision of a
8	four-quarter increase, we talked to
9	statistician at the University of Chicago, a
10	Dr. Robert Gibbons, and had him look
11	specifically at this and based our language,
12	both us and the Agency, on his recommendation
13	to change this to be consistent with current
14	US EPA guidance on how you do statistics.
15	MR. SCHUBERT: Excuse me. I'd like to
16	comment on your statement that every change
17	we proposed is twice as long or half as
18	frequent. It's probably the opposite when
19	you take a look at it.
20	In fact, the section that you
21	didn't comment on, the organic monitoring,
22	those lists of organics will be monitored
23	semiannual instead of annually.
2.4	Our whole intention on this

1	monitoring docket was to make was
2	basically to update the technology in
3	monitoring we use in Illinois. It actually
4	makes the whole monitoring system more
5	rigorous than it was before and brings that
6	data to the public and to the Agency that
7	much more quickly.
8	If you look at some of the changes
9	that we've put in that we've talked about
10	before, it does bring things up quicker.
11	This one detail again, it's important to
12	note that a lot of your questions are
13	relatively small details of the monitoring
14	program in aggregates. So when you look at
15	things like organic monitoring, which is the
16	powerful test we do in detection monitoring,
17	that's done twice as frequently now under
18	these rules than it was before.
19	So you can't take that out of
20	context and say, well, we're looking at this
21	one little statistical test on subtle trends
22	We have statistical triggers built in and
23	have had statistical triggers built into
24	these regulation that will identify sharp

1	increases. And that's the way you normally
2	see, you know, impacts from a landfill, in a
3	rather sharp increase on a statistical basis.
4	The federal laws require that.
5	The federal regs require that. The IEPA
6	or excuse me, the Illinois Pollution Control
7	Board, when they originally promulgated the
8	first rules, put in an additional test, an
9	additional trigger above and beyond, you
10	know, the required triggers that says, well,
11	what if there is, in theory, a very small
12	increase over time, you know, that's so small
13	it doesn't trip any of those statistical
14	tolerances but still is rising, should we be
15	more you know, should we look at that as
16	well? And what we did is we did it. And
17	they came up with four quarters, it comprises
18	for four quarters additionally.
19	So in additional to all of those
20	statistical triggers that we'd normally look
21	at every quarter, let's take a look at this
22	other one, which evaluates the last four, you
23	know, monitoring periods. If it rises in
24	each of those four periods, then we'll

1	consider that a statistical trigger.
2	If you look back in the old
3	record, there was no statistical theory
4	behind it there that said that that very
5	small increase for four monitoring periods
6	represented any type of statistical power at
7	all.
8	And, in fact, we found it over the
9	16 years of doing this to be not that
10	effective. So we went back to this
11	statistician, as Terry had mentioned, had him
12	look at it, and he basically made a
13	recommendation that for the statistical power
14	we're looking at for these regulations, what
15	the US EPA recommended for statistical power
16	and statistical tests if we wanted to put
17	in a test like that, you'd have to look at
18	eight quarters. But, again, that is just an
19	add-on to the regular statistical triggers
20	that we look at every quarter.
21	So, again, I needed to comment on
22	your comment that we're taking things out.
23	Many of these things that we're commenting on
24	are add-ons and quite the opposite of what

1	you mentioned. We have regulations here that
2	will deliver the information quicker to the
3	Agency and the public and also be
4	statistically more rigorous in terms of real
5	detection monitoring parameters that will
6	detect when things are going wrong in the
7	groundwater.
8	MS. ANDRIA: Thank you for your
9	clarification. And I apologize if I
10	mischaracterized it. It is the perception of
11	both of us reading this independently and
12	comparing our notes, so
13	MR. SCHUBERT: Well, it's important
14	for us as the Proponent to make sure that
15	people understand what the rules do in full
16	context.
17	MS. ANDRIA: I appreciate that. Thank
18	you.
19	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
20	questions pertaining to Proposed Amendment
21	No. 23?
22	(No verbal response.)
23	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none at
24	this time, we'll proceed to Proposed

1	Amendment No. 24 relating to
2	Section 811.319(a)(4)(B)(i).
3	(Whereupon, a discussion
4	was had off the record.)
5	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And Mr. Rao
6	I'm sorry, I moved too quickly did have a
7	question relating to the Propose Amendment
8	No. 23. And before we move forward, we'll
9	certainly give him the opportunity to pose
10	that.
11	MR. RAO: Mr. Johnson, at Page 11 of
12	your testimony you note that the proposed
13	change to eight consecutive monitoring events
14	reduce the chance of false positives to
15	approximately 5 percent. Is this statement
16	based on the recommendation you received from
17	the statistician or is it based on some
18	actual data analysis?
19	MR. JOHNSON: It's both, sir. The
20	expert that we consulted with is Professor
21	Robert Gibbons, and he's a professor of
22	biostatistics. He's also worked on the
23	US EPA guidance document. And he did some
24	calculations to illustrate what would be the

1	most appropriate consecutive quarter increase
2	to fit with the new US EPA unified guidance
3	document. And that was about a 5 percent
4	false positive rate for this particular test,
5	which would then be added in to all the other
6	tests that we do. So we still, even with
7	these changes and the other tests that we do,
8	in totality, have a higher false positive
9	rate in our programs in Illinois and most of
10	the surrounding states, which would be more
11	protective.
12	MR. RAO: Have you done any analysis
13	to see what the rate of false positives would
14	be under current rules?
15	MR. JOHNSON: I have Dr. Gibbons'
16	assessment here. And under for a typical
17	landfill with 25 monitoring wells monitoring
18	for 14 constituents doing a total of 350
19	tests then annually, the probability of a
20	false positive is just about 100 percent near
21	certainty is what he concluded.
22	MR. RAO: That document that you're
23	referring to, is this some kind of a
24	communication received or is this something

1	that can be put into the record maybe?
2	MR. JOHNSON: It certainly could. It
3	may have already been referenced.
4	MR. NORTHRUP: Do you remember if it's
5	referenced on our list?
6	MR. JOHNSON: I think it was.
7	MR. NORTHRUP: We can certainly
8	provide this if it's not listed.
9	MR. RAO: Thank you.
10	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Did you want to
11	make a motion, Mr. Northrup, to admit that as
12	an exhibit
13	MR. NORTHRUP: Sure.
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: at this time.
15	MR. NORTHRUP: Yeah. I'll move to
16	admit what would be Proponent Exhibit No. 4,
17	which is entitled Statistical Guidelines for
18	use of Consecutive Increases in Ground-water
19	Monitoring Programs by Robert D. Gibbons,
20	dated September 27th, 2001.
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Is there any
22	objection on the part of the Agency or any
23	other participant in admitting that into the
24	record of this proceeding.

1	MS. GEVING: I have no objection. And
2	it appears from the list that I'm looking at
3	that it has not been put into the record yet.
4	Some other items from Gibbons have been, but
5	not that particular one.
6	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing no
7	objection, the document described by
8	Mr. Northrup, the author of which is Robert
9	D. Gibbons, will be admitted into the record,
10	as he said, as Exhibit No. 4 of this
11	proceeding.
12	(Whereupon, Proponent
13	Exhibit No. 4 was
14	entered into the record
15	by the Hearing Officer.)
16	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Thank you,
17	Mr. Northrup. Let's continue then. We had
18	just begun Proposed Amendment No. 24
19	regarding verification samples. Were there
20	questions for the Proponents or for the
21	Agency by any of the participants on that
22	issue? Ms. Andria?
23	MS. ANDRIA: Yes. I wanted to know
2.4	why does it take three months to verify an

1	observed concentration increase?
2	MR. JOHNSON: It doesn't take
3	necessarily three months, but the timelines
4	for routine sampling work are pretty
5	well-established and then it takes we have
6	facilities with quite a few monitoring wells,
7	it can take up to a week to two weeks to
8	sample those and then laboratories have a
9	turnaround time of 21 days to process
10	analytical work.
11	After those results are generated,
12	those results need to be reviewed and
13	validated. And there's a ten-day period for
14	what's called a data quality review that the
15	lab has to verify that there were no issues
16	with that.
17	And then those results, if there
18	were issues, need to be re-submitted or
19	corrected. And then in the event of a
20	verification, if we were going to re-sample
21	to verify, then that same process needs to be
22	repeated with the new sample being collected.
23	So in practical terms, it is very
24	difficult to complete all these data quality

1	review procedures in the time frame under the
2	existing rules, which is 45 days.
3	MS. ANDRIA: Are they missing
4	deadlines now?
5	MR. JOHNSON: I'm sorry?
6	MS. ANDRIA: Are the industries
7	missing deadlines or are they complying now
8	with the 45 days?
9	MR. JOHNSON: We comply with the 45
10	days, but oftentimes we compromise some of
11	those data quality steps in order to meet
12	those deadlines.
13	In aggregate, I think on this
14	Item 24 and 25, what's also important to
15	understand is we are also establishing some
16	firm dates for this procedure. For instance,
17	assessment, now we have it tied to a firm
18	date, which is sampling rather than a notice
19	of an observed increase, which is something
20	that the permittee or a landfill operator
21	would determine.
22	Each of the alternate source
23	demonstrations, when we have a confirmed
24	increase, we do what's called an alternate

1	source demonstration to try to figure out was
2	that confirmed increase a result of maybe a
3	sampling problem, something that occurred,
4	damage to the well. And that, in the past,
5	was much more open-ended submittal. It now
6	needs to be submitted as a SIGMOD to a
7	permit, which establishes some firm
8	guidelines for us as well as the Agency.
9	In the past, we had 90 days from
10	which to submit an assessment monitoring plan
11	and that time has actually been compressed to
12	45 days.
13	So the purpose of these and I
14	realize I am talking about a couple of these.
15	But looking at them in aggregate was to
16	really firm this procedure up, recognize that
17	we needed to complete these important data
18	review steps so that our data records are
19	accurate when we submit the data to the
20	Agency for their records, which is available
21	to the public, that it's accurate and it's
22	been QC'd properly.
23	MS. ANDRIA: So you've gone right into
24	25 then, talking about that. I have some

1	questions there, too.
2	MR. JOHNSON: Yeah. But I think
3	that's kind of something that's important to
4	do is to look at if we look at each little
5	individual one here, we sometimes draw
6	different conclusions because we had an
7	overall objective with a lot of these things.
8	You know, certainly, there's lots of small
9	things and we're here to examine those, but
10	we also need to keep sight of what we're
11	trying to accomplish on a bigger picture.
12	MR. SCHUBERT: Under these rules, the
13	time that we have to submit an assessment
14	report is now fixed in time and keyed to the
15	initial sampling event.
16	Prior to this, it was not and the
17	Agency had difficulty tracking when, you
18	know, that submittal needed to be made
19	because it was on because the way the old
20	regs read, it was on the operator's
21	observation, whatever that was, you know,
22	whenever you get it in the mail, I guess, and
23	look at it and compare it.
24	Whatever steps occurred to make

1	that determination, they had to guess when
2	that was. And, instead, now it's keyed into
3	initial sampling dates. So there's a fixed
4	date, and even though we're giving ourselves
5	time to do it right, the amount of time is
6	trackable and probably in many cases is
7	shorter than it took to get that assessment
8	report in before. Now we can do a credible
9	job of, you know, doing all of the data
10	analysis correctly and also getting the
11	report in.
12	So, again, that's the reason we
13	brought in the next one is you have to look
14	at the whole time line.
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Ms. Blumenshine.
16	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Just a question to
17	clarify. For the regulations to be most
18	protective of public health and safety from
19	your verification timeline, you could still
20	have an assessment report on the fixed time
21	let's say if your verification timeline was
22	60 days instead of 90?
23	MR. SCHUBERT: You can make it two,
24	but it wouldn't necessarily get the job. The

1	idea is to get the job done correctly and
2	still give enough time to get the assessment
3	report in.
4	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Then I guess I would
5	just ask, 90 days is a season, rainfall, many
6	factors can change within that time that
7	could impact the importance of the data that
8	you are assessing and make a difference on,
9	you know, what happens, so I just wondered on
10	the 90 days could not that be less?
11	MR. SCHUBERT: There are a couple of
12	different reasons. One is that, you know, if
13	there is a data quality review that has to
14	take you know, that has to occur, many
15	times with the lab turnarounds that are
16	typical you can't do that within the 45 days.
17	The second thing is data
18	independence. If you look at a lot of the
19	groundwater that we monitor, generally,
20	groundwater that's less than ten minus
21	three centimeters per second in permeability,
22	the time it takes for that groundwater to
23	pass through a well screen, you know, and

get, you know, from either side of where that

1	well draws from, you know, say that when you
2	draw a sample from that well it might take
3	water from a few inches around that well
4	screen, sometimes in many cases that
5	distance the groundwater doesn't travel
6	that distance in 45 days. So, you know,
7	you're looking at data that, you know, isn't
8	independent from the other data. So if
9	there's any issue if there's any temporal
10	issue, you know, to be looked at in terms of
11	that data, it wouldn't be picked up. You're
12	basically going back and getting the same
13	water.
14	MS. BLUMENSHINE: I guess I just felt
15	it wasn't answered why. Of course, 45 is not
16	convenient for the companies. Then why
17	couldn't it be 50 or 60, rather than three
18	months, 90? I'm sorry. I guess my question
19	was why was it, you know, the 90 days? Is
20	that just for the convenience of the
21	companies?
22	MR. SCHUBERT: It certainly is
23	convenient.
24	MR. JOHNSON: I think it's a

1	combination of things, really. If you're
2	going to keep in mind this involves doing
3	two sets of samples, collecting two sets of
4	samples, and not just one.
5	So, really, if you're going to do
6	all the steps right and if there are issues
7	that come up that you need to look at the
8	data more closely, you will need the full
9	90 days to do that.
10	If there are no issues, you won't
11	need it, but we have to have a regulatory
12	environment that's acceptable under all
13	circumstances.
14	And as Bill said, really,
15	groundwater, one of the things that our
16	programs are predicated on is sample
17	independence. And groundwater simply most
18	of our environment does not move fast enough
19	to keep that principle valid. We have a
20	number of things that factor in.
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
22	questions relating specifically to Proposed
23	Amendment No. 24?
24	(No verbal response.)

1	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Mr. Johnson, you
2	had mentioned that 24 and 25 are closely
3	linked. Why don't we move to Proposed
4	Amendment No. 25 relating to Section
5	811.319(a)(4)(B)(iii). Any questions either
6	for the Association or for the Agency on the
7	issues in Proposed Amendment 25?
8	Ms. Andria?
9	MS. ANDRIA: Yes. You had referred to
10	a SIGMOD as a significant permit modification
11	when you find that there's an increase in the
12	concentration of a constituent. And you
13	this is all about that you must then the
14	submit must be in the form of a significant
15	permit modification. Aren't you asking the
16	Agency then to permit contamination?
17	MR. HILBERT: Absolutely not. No.
18	What this does is I kind of wanted to
19	point this out earlier. Previously, all
20	anybody had to do was notify the Agency that
21	they had a confirmed increase and provide
22	some written explanation of what that may be.
23	It didn't require the Agency to review that
2.4	explanation and actually agree with it It

1	just you satisfied your requirements just
2	by sending that in.
3	Now, we have to go through a
4	formal permit process, which allows the
5	Agency an opportunity to review that and
6	comment on it and approve or disapprove of a
7	permit based on the results of that
8	submittal. And so it's a much more rigorous
9	process. It's designed to ensure that
10	somebody can't just keep sending letters out
11	there and claiming that it's due to an
12	off-site source or due to some other event
13	that's not related to the landfill.
14	MS. ANDRIA: Isn't it also, though,
15	designed to keep the state from perhaps
16	finding you in violation of your existing
17	permit?
18	MR. HILBERT: No, because you're
19	providing the date to the states so that they
20	can review it.
21	MR. RAO: Can I ask a follow-up?
22	MS. ANDRIA: That's fine.
23	MR. RAO: Mr. Hilbert, under what
24	circumstances can assessment monitoring be

1	triggered by this rule?
2	MR. HILBERT: Under what circumstances
3	would it be triggered?
4	MR. RAO: Yeah.
5	MR. HILBERT: If during the
6	confirmation sampling event you actually got
7	the same results, meaning that say you would
8	have exceeded some particular groundwater
9	quality standard, that would trigger the
10	assessment procedure, and it was determined
11	to be due to the landfill.
12	MR. RAO: So this confirmation of
13	monitored increase that's under Subsection
14	(a)(4)(A), there are four different scenarios
15	that are set forth. If you confirm any one
16	of those, will that trigger assessment
17	monitoring?
18	MR. HILBERT: Yes. Do you want to
19	answer that, Terry?
20	MR. JOHNSON: Yeah.
21	MR. RAO: 811.319(a)(4)(A).
22	MR. JOHNSON: These four tests here,
23	yeah, these would include our statistical
24	tests. If during confirmation we confirm

1	that we had triggered one of these four and
2	we confirmed that that's occurred through a
3	subsequent sample, two sampling events, then
4	we are in the process of determining what's
5	the cause of that, what's the source of that.
6	And within that time frame we also
7	determine what the source is through what we
8	call a source demonstration. And if that is
9	concluded that the source is the landfill,
10	then at that point we typically initiate
11	assessment monitoring.
12	MR. RAO: Because in the current rules
13	it's not very clear when assessment
14	monitoring is triggered. We have noticed
15	this in the past, also, as to when a landfill
16	goes into an assessment monitoring mode.
17	Would it be possible for you to
18	take a look at this language that you've
19	proposed to see if it can be made clearer as
20	to when assessment monitoring is triggered in
21	the rules? And the Agency can take a look at
22	it, too.
23	MR. SCHUBERT: Just to clarify your
24	inquiry, you understand the criteria, you're

1	just saying when
2	MR. RAO: It doesn't say it in the
3	rules as to when if you go to
4	Subsection (b), it states, assessment
5	monitoring. It states the operators shall
6	begin assessment monitoring program in order
7	to confirm that the solid wastes disposal
8	facility is the source of contamination.
9	There's no linkage between Subsection (a) and
10	(b) in the current rules.
11	MR. SCHUBERT: That's 180 days still,
12	right?
13	MS. THOMPSON: It specifies and we're
14	moving on into some future (inaudible)
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: I'm sorry.
16	Could you speak just a little louder, please.
17	MS. THOMPSON: It specifies and we
18	haven't quite gotten to it yet. But under
19	811.319(b)(2), it specifies that the
20	assessment monitoring shall be implemented
21	within 180 days of the original sampling
22	event.
23	MR. SCHUBERT: We had the same
24	concern. That was one of the things we tried

1	to clarify in these rules. That's what I
2	made reference to earlier in reference to
3	Ms. Andria's statement that we are you
4	know, that were are getting some firm
5	timelines in here where they were previously
6	ambiguous.
7	MR. RAO: I realize that. It's just
8	that when you look at these sections, it's
9	not very clear as to when, you know, it's
10	triggered. We can go back, like, to (b)(2)
11	and try to figure it out. If there's any way
12	you can make it more clear, that would be
13	good.
14	MS. THOMPSON: I'm sorry. I still
15	don't quite understand what the breakage here
16	is. You feel that it's in (b)(2) that needs
17	to be clarified?
18	MR. RAO: Or if you can say in
19	Subsection (b) the operators would begin
20	assessment monitoring program in accordance
21	with Subsection (b)(2).
22	MS. THOMPSON: Okay. So
23	MR. RAO: Do you see what I'm saying?
2.4	MS. THOMPSON: just doing a cross

1	reference through there?
2	MR. RAO: Yeah.
3	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Are there
4	further questions relating to the Proposed
5	Amendment No. 25 at this time on the part of
6	any participant?
7	(No verbal response.)
8	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We've already
9	introduced some of the language in Proposed
10	Amendment No. 26 and then we'll move on to
11	that relating to Section 811.319(b)(2). Any
12	questions of either the Association or the
13	Agency on the issues in that proposed
14	Amendment? Ms. Andria.
15	MS. ANDRIA: Yes. I just wanted to
16	clarify since Mr. Schubert; is that
17	correct?
18	MR. SCHUBERT: Yes, ma'am.
19	MS. ANDRIA: He corrected me that I
20	was mischaracterizing back at 23. Since
21	then, we've had 24, which doubled the window
22	from 45 to 90 days. And this one also
23	appears to go twice as long. And I was
24	wondering if I'm not understanding that or if

1	that's correct?
2	MR. SCHUBERT: Which one are you
3	talking about?
4	MS. ANDRIA: Well, now we're on 26.
5	MR. JOHNSON: I think under this one,
6	actually, the old language had assessment
7	monitoring implementation 90 days after
8	Agency approval and has now shortened that to
9	45 days.
10	MS. ANDRIA: And what is the 180 days?
11	I guess I'm
12	MR. JOHNSON: That's a second tie-in
13	to the original sampling event. So it
14	establishes that that's the maximum time you
15	can go without implementing assessment
16	monitoring from the sampling event, whereas
17	before I think it was tied to the initial
18	observation, which was kind of a not real
19	clear date firm date that was given.
20	MS. ANDRIA: So the 180 days compares
21	to what?
22	MR. SCHUBERT: Initial sampling.
23	MS. ANDRIA: I mean, what was it in
24	the old? There was no quantification?

1	MR. JOHNSON: I believe it was tied to
2	the initial observation of an observed
3	increase, which was kind of, you know,
4	unclear date.
5	MR. SCHUBERT: It was difficult to
6	track, you know, from a regulatory
7	standpoint.
8	MR. JOHNSON: It certainly was after
9	the sampling then. It was later than the
10	sampling. Collect the samples, in order to
11	do that, you would have to have the
12	analytical data in hand, so it would have
13	been some time after the samples were
14	collected. So both these dates, as I
15	understand them, are shorter. Does that
16	help?
17	MS. ANDRIA: I need to read this
18	because it sounds like it sounds to me
19	like you're getting six months to do
20	something that should be done much shorter.
21	But, I apologize, I don't have my notes clear
22	here that I can and I do not want to
23	mischaracterize it.
24	MR. RAO: In the meanwhile, can I just

1	go over this? So once an increase in any one
2	of those four alternative ways you can do it
3	is confirmed, then you file a SIGMOD permit
4	application with the Agency and the Agency
5	gets, like, I don't know, 180 days to review
6	the permit?
7	MS. THOMPSON: Ninety.
8	MR. RAO: Ninety days to review the
9	permit? They can do it quicker, but that's
10	the limit they have? And once that approval
11	comes in, you will have 45 days to institute?
12	MR. JOHNSON: Exactly.
13	MR. BALLENGER: Correct.
14	MR. SCHUBERT: It used to be 90.
15	MR. BALLENGER: It used to be 90,
16	yeah.
17	MR. SCHUBERT: And the point that Tom
18	made earlier was that there was not even an
19	obligation before, you know, to submit
20	something for Agency approval. You could
21	make an alternate source demonstration and
22	just leave it there and the Agency's practice
23	was on your five-year renewal they'll
24	question you on that. But if somebody wanted

1	to, they could throw in a bunch of alternate
2	source demonstrations and not have to follow
3	up on these items for five years. That
4	opportunity doesn't exist anymore under this
5	new proposal.
б	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Ms. Andria.
7	MS. ANDRIA: I'd like the ask the
8	Agency if SIGMODs are open to public comment?
9	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Do you need her
10	to repeat that question.
11	MS. THOMPSON: I understood it. Are
12	they open to public comment? Yes, you can
13	provide comment there.
14	MS. ANDRIA: Are they public noticed?
15	MS. THOMPSON: Yes, the comments are.
16	But whenever an application comes inhouse,
17	it all of the state and local government
18	is notified that an application is inhouse.
19	MS. ANDRIA: Is there a newspaper
20	notice to the public provided?
21	MR. LIEBMAN: No.
22	MS. THOMPSON: No.
23	MS. ANDRIA: So do you have some
24	mechanism in place that someone can put

1	themselves on a list if they want to be
2	notified of any SIGMODs that are submitted by
3	certain landfills in certain counties or
4	anything like that?
5	MR. LIEBMAN: No. These notices we've
6	been talking about are really done by the
7	applicant. As a matter of public policy, we
8	require the applicants to give us proof that
9	they've notified various local officials with
10	each permit application and we do check to
11	make sure those public officials have been
12	notified.
13	MS. GEVING: Is it a possibility,
14	Mr. Liebman, that they could get on a list
15	with the public entities that we notify so
16	that they would know?
17	MR. LIEBMAN: Perhaps.
18	MS. THOMPSON: I would like to point
19	out that this information is available on our
20	website. If you have a site number for a
21	facility and you're interested in what kind
22	of applications they do have inhouse with us,
23	it is on our website.
2.4	MS. ANDRIA: It's not on the public

1	notice under public notices. Is it a
2	special place in the land section?
3	MS. THOMPSON: It is under Bureau of
4	Land. We will find out what that web address
5	is for you. But it is online and it is
6	there will be a link on any application that
7	that facility has inhouse that provides a
8	brief description and provides who the
9	reviewers are for it.
10	MS. ANDRIA: And it's my experience
11	that I can't remember in however many
12	years I've been paying attention that I've
13	ever been notified by a public official that
14	a landfill is applying to do anything except
15	in citing when they're required to do that.
16	So I think it would be really very
17	helpful to those of us who live around
18	landfills that are concerned about what this
19	would be putting my understanding of it,
20	at least, that this would be putting a
21	contaminating parameter into a permit, giving
22	them license to continue to contaminate the
23	groundwater. So I really hope that you could
24	find some way of allowing the public to have

1	a rule in voicing anything under this since
2	there's a change on this.
3	MS. THOMPSON: As our current
4	practice, and it will continue, is that any
5	private citizen can comment on any
6	application that we are reviewing at that
7	time and we do consider all comments that
8	come in on the application.
9	MS. ANDRIA: I understand that. And I
10	appreciate that very much. It's just that if
11	we don't know, how can we comment? I mean,
12	at least, I think, you know, the facility is
13	there I mean, the ability I would think is
14	there for you to go on the public notice
15	because they've got MPDESs, they've got air
16	permits, public hearings that are coming up.
17	If you could have just some kind of link that
18	flashes to the public who looks at public
19	notices that there is something coming up and
20	we can go to the Bureau of Land website to
21	see what it is, I think that would be much
22	appreciated.
23	MS. GEVING: Ms. Thompson, didn't you
24	state that they have an ILD, a site facility

1	number, and they can check on any of that by
2	the number currently?
3	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Ms. Geving, if I
4	may interrupt very quickly? I apologize.
5	Ms. Andria, you are coming close, if not
6	arriving at the point of offering
7	MS. ANDRIA: To public comment. I
8	apologize.
9	HEARING OFFICER FOX: No apology is
10	necessary. But in terms of offering
11	testimony, we would need to have the court
12	reporter swear you in. And if she would do
13	that, please.
14	(Witness sworn.)
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Ms. Geving, I'm
16	sorry to interrupt you with your question.
17	MS. ANDRIA: And I didn't mean to go
18	into public comment. I realized I was doing
19	it. It's a bone of contention that we can't
20	find out what's going on and that we have to
21	live with the results.
22	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We're clear to
23	proceed, so if you had a question for the
24	Agency, it sounds like they may be prepared

1	to answer it if that was, in fact, the case.
2	MS. ANDRIA: No. That was my I
3	think that was it unless I lost track that I
4	did have a question.
5	MR. HILBERT: Can I offer just a
6	couple points of clarification on some of the
7	things?
8	The Agency does maintain a very
9	accessible and useable database for landfill
10	permit activities. It's on the Bureau of
11	Land website. You just go to the database
12	and it's right there. And it's actually
13	easier to move through that than it would be
14	to go through the public notice section of,
15	say, like the NIPSE permits. And so it's
16	there, you just have to look for it, but not
17	very hard.
18	And the second point of
19	clarification I'd like to make is that when
20	we submit assessment monitoring plans into
21	the Agency for their review, it's not a
22	permit request to introduce a contaminant
23	into the environment. It's a permit request
24	so that the Agency has an opportunity to

1	comment on what our plan is for determining
2	what the reasons are for a confirmation of a
3	potential release and what we intend to do to
4	investigate it further to ensure that we know
5	for certain whether or not it's related to a
6	landfill or potentially some other source.
7	So nobody is permitting, at that
8	point, a release. It's just an investigative
9	plan.
10	MS. ANDRIA: But I believe that your
11	testimony or perhaps someone else's,
12	Mr. Hilbert you're Mr. Hilbert. I'm
13	sorry.
14	MR. HILBERT: Yeah.
15	MS. ANDRIA: Mr. Johnson, when you
16	were talking about it, it was to get this on
17	record. And I think it's problematic and I
18	don't understand that you don't see that. It
19	steams to be bypassing something. It seems
20	very clear that it's that you're getting a
21	permit to continue to pollute the
22	groundwater. So I apologize if I'm
23	misunderstanding it this, but
24	MR. JOHNSON: Yeah. I think it's

1	and maybe I misspoke earlier. But assessment
2	is just as the title describes, it's to
3	assess what's going on. Oftentimes, in
4	assessment, we conclude that it's due to some
5	naturally occurring event. It could be
6	due the confirmed increase could be due to
7	something coming from off-site. At that
8	stage, we're just trying to assess, to learn
9	and work with the Agency to figure out
10	exactly what caused that specific parameter
11	to be outside of its normal range.
12	MS. ANDRIA: Why would you need that
13	then put into a permit modification? Why
14	couldn't you just address it under the
15	existing permit?
16	MR. JOHNSON: We needed some formal
17	means of dealing with that. Right now, if
18	someone wanted to, they could go without
19	looking at that in a lot of detail under the
20	existing regulations.
21	MS. ANDRIA: Could I ask the Agency if
22	they agree with this characterization?
23	MS. THOMPSON: Absolutely. What is
24	heing submitted to us in the assessment plan

1	is basically they're saying we found this
2	confirmed increase out here and this is what
3	we want to do about it, this is how we want
4	to investigate it.
5	What we do as reviewers is
6	determine whether their investigation is
7	actually going far enough, if it meets the
8	regulations, if there's something else that
9	we want them to do.
10	If that is the case, then we can
11	alter the permit at that time and say, yes,
12	this is exactly how you should go out and do
13	that investigation and you will come in with
14	that information at "X" number of time for us
15	to review your conclusions at that point in
16	time.
17	What the significant modification
18	application is is a chance for the Agency to
19	look at what they think look at their
20	proposals and make a determination whether we
21	agree or not.
22	MS. ANDRIA: And then where does the
23	clean-up part or the stop-polluting part come

in? At what point does that happen?

1	MR. BALLENGER: It's an assessment
2	program that identifies the site as the
3	source of rulings. We then go into a
4	corrective action program. The corrective
5	action program does also include a public
6	meeting and public comment in regards to how
7	we're going to provide corrective actions and
8	do it, including the input of the IEPA. The
9	IEPA will not accept our remedial action
10	plans without that public meeting occurring.
11	So, again, the assessment process
12	is assessing what caused that statistical
13	injury. It doesn't mean the site is leaking.
14	It doesn't mean the site caused it. That's
15	the whole point of assessing that change in
16	the water quality.
17	So every single time we have a
18	confirmed increase of a parameter identified
19	as part of our statistical MSR rules, we go
20	into that assessment program.
21	MS. ANDRIA: And could I ask the
22	attorney for the Agency does putting whatever
23	they have done, the assessment of what has
24	happened, into a permit keep the Agency, the

1	State, from finding them for violations under
2	the existing permit?
3	MS. GEVING: Well, I'm not going to
4	testify, but I will let Gwen answer that
5	question.
6	MS. THOMPSON: Could you repeat that
7	question?
8	MS. ANDRIA: Probably not, but I'll
9	try. My concern is about when you put
10	when you codify, when you put into their
11	permit that the groundwater, they have done
12	something that has caused an increase, does
13	that stop the Agency from pursuing a
14	violation under the existing permit once it's
15	puts into a modification?
16	(Whereupon, a discussion
17	was had off the record.)
18	MS. THOMPSON: It was a little bit
19	difficult. I understand what you're saying.
20	Since they have a statistical exceedance
21	through there, you can't assume that that's
22	contamination in the first place. That's
23	what the assessment program and the
2.4	investigation is all about That's why we

1	have all these specific dates we want
2	everybody to meet, to go into that.
3	If these dates are met, if we are
4	progressing through the assessment, through
5	the investigation, into assessment reports
6	and corrective actions and there is no
7	violation, okay, as long as we are dealing
8	with it through the regulations and they are
9	following those regulations. If, in fact,
10	they are not following the regulations that
11	are set forth, then there is a violation and,
12	yes, the Agency can act.
13	MS. ANDRIA: Thank you.
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
15	questions then relating to Proposed Amendment
16	No. 26.
17	MR. RAO: Just for clarification.
18	Anyone from the Association can answer this.
19	Isn't it true that the current
20	regulations require assessment monitoring
21	plants to be submitted as part of a
22	significant modification permit?
23	MR. SCHUBERT: Yes, sir.
24	MR. RAO: This is not something that

1	you're proposing now, it's already required?
2	MR. BALLENGER: We're just setting a
3	strict timeline.
4	MR. RAO: Thank you.
5	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
6	questions on Proposed Amendment No. 26.
7	(No verbal response.)
8	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none, at
9	this point, we'll proceed to Proposed
10	Amendment No. 27 relating to
11	811.319(b)(5)(A). Are there questions for
12	either the Association or the Agency on the
13	issues in this Proposed Amendment?
14	MS. LIU: Mr. Johnson, I had just a
15	simple clarifying question in that section at
16	the very end where you add 810.104 and
17	constituents from 35 Illinois Administrative
18	Code 624.10. You crossed out 810.104 and
19	then you put it back in. Was that your
20	intention?
21	MR. JOHNSON: First of all, I don't
22	think I made this exact change. But I
23	believe the intention was to incorporate the
24	620.

1	MS. LIU: Okay. Thank you.
2	HEARING OFFICER FOX: That seems to
3	conclude the discussion on Proposed Amendment
4	No. 27. Seeing no additional questions, we
5	will proceed to Proposed Amendment No. 28
6	relating to section 811.319(b)(5)(D),
7	assessment monitoring and timing. Are there
8	questions for either the Association or the
9	Agency on those issues?
10	Yes, Ms. Andria?
11	MS. ANDRIA: If you can tell me what
12	they were and what they are and what they
13	will be; an annual basis, a semiannual? I
14	got a little confused in this paragraph.
15	MR. JOHNSON: The assessment
16	monitoring will be conducted on an annual
17	basis and any parameters protected in that
18	monitoring will be added semiannually.
19	MS. ANDRIA: And what are they now?
20	MR. JOHNSON: And that's the same as
21	the US EPA's standards for assessment
22	monitoring.
23	MS. ANDRIA: And that's what you're
24	operating under now?

1	MR. JOHNSON: Now, the current
2	regulation I have to look here to see
3	exactly what that is, if you give me a
4	moment.
5	(Whereupon, a discussion
6	was had off the record.)
7	MR. JOHNSON: Presently, we're doing
8	assessment monitoring on a semiannual basis.
9	We will be doing assessment monitoring on a
10	semiannual basis plus with the distinction
11	that there will be added constituents.
12	MS. BLUMENSHINE: If I may, please,
13	ask then how is it more protective of the
14	health and safety to change this to annual
15	because already there was concern for this
16	monitoring to be done? So what was the
17	rationale that it should now be done annually
18	instead of semiannually?
19	MR. JOHNSON: It's an assessment
20	monitoring program and not a detection
21	monitoring program.
22	MS. BLUMENSHINE: And pardon, again.
23	Just a last question. So assessing is of
2.4	less importance to be deferred to annual than

1	semiannual? I'm sorry. I'm having trouble
2	understanding why that is of less importance.
3	MR. SCHUBERT: That's the reason why
4	you have all these different names of these
5	programs. In the detection monitoring
6	program, we're trying to detect to see if
7	there's been any impact to the groundwater.
8	In the assessment monitoring
9	program, we've already confirmed that there
10	is some impact. We've done an initial
11	analysis to see what the impact is. So we go
12	through a big list of parameters to see
13	what's in there. Now we know what parameters
14	are in there. That's part of the assessment
15	monitoring. We're trying to see what happens
16	to the concentration of those parameters with
17	time.
18	And that's why the US EPA protocol
19	is to look for those constituents that were
20	identified in the original assessment
21	monitoring and you monitor for those
22	constituents on a semiannual basis. That's
23	what we're doing.
24	MS. BLUMENSHINE: But you're moving to

1	annual, is that my understanding?
2	MR. SCHUBERT: The whole list the
3	entire list gets monitored annually. And
4	that's just more or less an add-on to the
5	US EPA protocol.
6	What we're trying to do is look at
7	what's in the groundwater, try to identify
8	what constituents are in there and look to
9	see what happens to those concentrations with
10	time. That's what the assessment monitoring
11	program is for. They look at the entire list
12	annually, but on a semiannual basis just keep
13	track of these constituents.
14	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Thank you.
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
16	questions relating to Proposed Amendment 28
17	then?
18	(No verbal response.)
19	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none, we
20	can proceed. In his pre-filed testimony,
21	Mr. Johnson indicated that he would
22	characterize Proposed Amendment Nos. 29, 30,
23	31 and 32 as non-substantive. If he
24	continues to characterize them that way and

1	there's no dispute from the Agency and no
2	questions relating to that I see Ms.
3	Geving doesn't, in fact, dispute that
4	characterization.
5	MS. GEVING: Correct.
6	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We can proceed
7	them to Proposed Amendment No. 33 addressing
8	Section 811.320(A)(3)(B). Any questions on
9	the language of Proposed Amendment No. 33?
10	Ms. Andria?
11	MS. ANDRIA: Yes. Thirty-three, 34
12	and 35 all give make reference to the
13	public or food processing water supply and
14	groundwater qualities standards which they're
15	going to report on, so we will have to
16	revisit those, I believe.
17	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And I'm
18	presuming that what you've indicated is that
19	at least as to those Proposed Amendments 33,
20	34 and 35 you will, in effect, reserve
21	questions for the second hearing.
22	MS. ANDRIA: Right. After they report
23	on if they're more protective, less
24	protective on water quality standards.

1	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Very good. Let
2	me take these one by one.
3	MR. HILBERT: Can we offer maybe we
4	can put it to rest here today. I think it
5	may be helpful to just clarify that the 620
6	regs weren't in place when these initial
7	regulations were proposed back in
8	MS. ANDRIA: I can't hear you, sir.
9	MR. HILBERT: The 620 regulations were
10	not in place at the time that these
11	regulations were originally written. And so
12	the only
13	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And if I may
14	interrupt, 620 pertains specifically to
15	groundwater; is that correct.
16	MR. HILBERT: To groundwater. That's
17	where I was going to go. The 620 regulations
18	are for potable groundwater resources, you
19	know, public water well supplies, things of
20	that nature. There was no standard or no
21	codified rules at the time that these
22	regulations were written and the only thing
23	that was available at that time to refer to
24	was the 302 food processing and public water

1	supplies.
2	The 620 regulations were always
3	intended to and do have the effect of
4	regulating groundwater quality in the state.
5	And that's the only difference is that now we
6	are since there is a groundwater quality
7	standard to refer to, we thought it would be
8	more appropriate for these regulations which
9	are dealing with groundwater to refer to
10	groundwater quality standards.
11	And the process to develop the
12	groundwater quality standards, the 620
13	regulations, was done with the public input
14	and thought to public health, safety and
15	welfare. And there is no difference in
16	safety for the general public, it's just that
17	now there's a set of standards to refer to
18	that actually addresses groundwater quality.
19	So, hopefully, we won't have to
20	do you need further clarification than that?
21	MS. ANDRIA: I just wanted to know
22	whether I mean, I think the gentleman
23	asked about Class 1, Class 2, Class 3
24	groundwaters. I'm not a technical expert on

1	this. I just wanted to know simply whether
2	it was less protective or more protective.
3	So I would like to see that
4	explained better after I've gotten a chance
5	to read the regs as they exist and the
6	standards as they exist and perhaps to ask
7	questions about it. And I think he still has
8	questions about that that you said you would
9	answer at another hearing.
10	MR. HILBERT: To clarify that, I think
11	that I thought that we had answered that,
12	that the default classification was Class 1
13	groundwater quality, Class 1 standards under
14	the 620 regulations, which is the potable
15	resource standard.
16	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Taking these
17	one-by-one, is there any further questions
18	specifically related to the substance of
19	Proposed Amendment No. 33?
20	(No verbal response.)
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Not overlooking
22	your comment Ms. Andria, Proposed Amendment
23	34 addresses 811.320(b)(2). Are there
24	questions on the part of any of the

1	participants relating specifically to the
2	language of that Proposed Amendment?
3	(No verbal response.)
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none,
5	and, again, Ms. Andria, noting the comment
6	that you have offered on the issue of 620
7	rules, Proposed Amendment 35 addresses
8	Section 811.320(b)(4). Are there questions
9	relating specifically to that Amendment
10	Number 35, Proposed Amendment No. 35?
11	(No verbal response.)
12	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And seeing none
13	there, Proposed Amendment 36, for the record,
14	would amend Section 811.320(d)(1). Are there
15	questions either for the Association or for
16	the Agency on the substance of Proposed
17	Amendment No. 36?
18	Yes, Ms. Blumenshine?
19	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Thank you very much.
20	I just wanted to ask if non-consecutive data
21	will be used allowed, wouldn't it be
22	possible to miss a spike or a trend or
23	something? I just wondered if that was any
2.4	concern to the Agency.

1	MS. THOMPSON: As far as
2	non-consecutive data, I think that we have it
3	put in there that it would be allowed where
4	it isn't a problem. You can test your data
5	for seasonality. There is statistical
6	testing for that to be evaluated. And we do
7	look at that.
8	MS. BLUMENSHINE: Thank you.
9	MR. RAO: I had a clarifying question
10	regarding Subsection 811.320(d). This can be
11	answered either by the Association or the
12	Agency.
13	This section requires groundwater
14	quality standards to be established based on
15	four consecutive quarters of monitoring. Are
16	there any issues or statistical issues
17	associated with this four quarters or do you
18	think you need eight quarters of monitoring
19	to comment on it?
20	MS. THOMPSON: Yes, there are
21	statistical issues with that insofar as the
22	federal requirements and also our own
23	requirements require that we keep false
24	positives down to 5 percent.

1	And just four quarters of data
2	will not allow us to do that, particularly if
3	you only have one well or even two wells.
4	Four quarters of data just will not take care
5	of that issue. A minimum of eight is what
6	the US EPA recommends and we're trying to
7	meet our regulation that says keep it under
8	5 percent.
9	MR. RAO: So is there a need to amend
10	this requirement to say a minimum of eight
11	quarters or does the rule allow the Agency
12	to, by permit, require additional monitoring?
13	MS. THOMPSON: I believe that we left
14	it a little more open than that.
15	MR. BALLENGER: A minimum
16	of (inaudible)
17	THE COURT REPORTER: Sir, I can't hear
18	you.
19	MR. BALLENGER: We've written in the
20	language to be a minimum of one year which
21	allows for expanded background to be
22	completed, expanded background sampling
23	effects.
24	MR. RAO: Okay. So that allows the

1	Agency to go beyond one year?
2	MS. THOMPSON: Correct.
3	MR. BALLENGER: Correct.
4	DR. GIRARD: Well, then I have a
5	question. How would you the Agency decide
6	when to go beyond one year.
7	MS. THOMPSON: When would they decide
8	or when would we decide to require them to do
9	that or
10	DR. GIRARD: Yes.
11	MS. THOMPSON: Again, that would come
12	down to statistics. You can use what are
13	called power curves in your statistical
14	programs and they will make a determination
15	if you're meeting your 5 percent false
16	positive rate. And I realize that's getting
17	a little technical.
18	MR. RAO: Not really. Earlier,
19	Mr. Johnson had cited to this I forgot the
20	professor's name.
21	MR. JOHNSON: Gibbons.
22	MR. RAO: Yeah. Dr. Gibbons' report
23	that at least eight consecutive quarters of
24	sampling is required for keeping false

1	positives under 5 percent. Is there some
2	kind of a, you know, similar sampling
3	requirement to keep false positives under
4	5 percent, like eight consecutive quarter?
5	If that's the case, shouldn't that be put in
6	the rule instead of one year at minimum to
7	make it two years?
8	MS. THOMPSON: I believe I understand
9	what you are asking. Can we put in a minimum
10	of eight quarters?
11	MR. RAO: Yes.
12	MS. THOMPSON: We could do that as a
13	minimum of eight quarters. That's not
14	necessarily the only way to deal with false
15	positives. If we had additional upgradient
16	wells, granted that's a lot of wells, that
17	could also meet that requirement. So there
18	is more than one way of doing it.
19	MR. SCHUBERT: There is Tom just
20	mentioned to me that there are certain
21	circumstances that might cause you to go less
22	than two years, at least on a temporary
23	basis. One of which is the start-up of the
24	new facility.

If a municipality, you know, had
started a new facility and they needed money
to use that facility, it could be constrained
as, you know, a delay. Right now, there is
at least a year into the permitting so that
we can collect data during the permit you
know, during the permit review and not lose
any time, you know, for start-up of the new
facility because you can do that quarterly
sampling within the year that it's being
reviewed.

If you had a two-year wait period for starting a new facility, you could spend a whole other year just collecting background data. So I guess in certain instances, although, certainly the industry likes the idea of a bigger background set because it does reduce the false positives, there are certain instances where, you know, like on a start-up where you'd want to go to a smaller background set, at least on a temporary basis, until you go in there and change the permit again.

MR. BALLENGER: I think what this is

1	trying to say is that, at a minimum, you had
2	to have that four quarters completed, which
3	would incorporate, you know, one year of
4	seasonality. And that once you okay, you
5	have those limits, that gives you the option
6	after another year's worth of data to submit
7	another application to get that background
8	just as appropriately.
9	MR. SCHUBERT: Does that make sense?
10	MR. RAO: Uh-huh.
11	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
12	questions relating to Proposed Amendment
13	No. 36?
14	(No verbal response.)
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: I may have
16	gotten a little bit ahead of myself.
17	Mr. Northrup, I have what's probably a purely
18	draftman's question for you. Looking back a
19	short distance to Section A I'm sorry,
20	Subsection 320 (b)(1), there is a reference
21	to the Board's adjusted standards procedures.
22	I believe it was in 2001 the Board amended
23	its procedural rules and the adjusted
24	standards procedures are now, in part, 104.

1	Would you be willing to confirm that that
2	renumbering is correct and it includes that
3	technical change in any errata sheet or
4	amendments that you might propose?
5	MR. NORTHRUP: Yes, I will.
6	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Thanks very
7	much.
8	MR. NORTHRUP: That's actually at
9	320 (b).
10	HEARING OFFICER FOX: It's (b)(1). It
11	refers to, at the very end of that,
12	Subsection 106.410 through 106.416.
13	MR. NORTHRUP: Okay.
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Thank you. I
15	appreciate that. I think we had wrapped up
16	Proposed Amendment No. 36. And I don't see
17	any hands indicating questions.
18	Let's proceed to Proposed
19	Amendment No. 37 proposing to amend Section
20	811.320(d)(2). Are there questions for
21	either the Association or the Agency on this
22	issue relating to background concentrations?
23	Ms. Andria?
24	MS. ANDRIA: Yes. I wondered why the

1	proposal provides that such changes may only
2	be made every once every two years.
3	MR. SCHUBERT: That was actually a
4	consideration and discussion with the Agency.
5	There was a consideration that there could be
6	an administrative problem in readjustment of
7	background virtually every time you come in
8	with an assessment. So, you know, what we're
9	talking about here is what we're talking
10	about is the collection of a background data
11	set and that's used for statistical
12	comparison.
13	So the Agency was concerned that
14	maybe a particular applicant would want to
15	amend that background data set over and over
16	and over again every time they had a
17	monitoring event. And I guess we wanted to
18	make sure that we could amend it on some type
19	of reasonable frequency, but not so frequent
20	as to overload the Agency with review of all
21	sorts of background data sets every
22	monitoring event.
23	
	So kind of a compromised position

1	wouldn't inconvenience the Agency and would
2	still give the industry or any landfill
3	owner/operator a chance to reassess
4	background his background data set on a
5	meaningful interval.
6	MS. ANDRIA: Do you have any place
7	that you define what is, quote, statistically
8	significant where there has to be so much
9	percent?
10	MR. SCHUBERT: Well, that's contained
11	in these regulations of what statistical
12	significance is. I guess that comes a little
13	farther that comes a little further in the
14	regulations.
15	MS. ANDRIA: How much investigation
16	is it the company that's doing the
17	investigation or IEPA as to the background
18	concentrations and if they are attributable
19	to not the landfill? Who does that
20	assessment?
21	MR. SCHUBERT: We collect the data
22	under IEPA supervision. They review the data
23	and incorporate the approval of that
24	background data set into a permit.

1	MS. ANDRIA: And do they have do
2	they take samples in their labs or do you do
3	the sampling in your labs?
4	MR. SCHUBERT: Generally, we hire
5	contractors, you know, and EPA approved labs
6	to do this kind of work. I can tell you that
7	as a part of a different program, part of the
8	field services, there is a field
9	verification occasional field verification
10	of groundwater data by the EPA in their lab.
11	MS. ANDRIA: That's like split samples
12	you mean?
13	MR. SCHUBERT: Yeah. They come out on
14	regular intervals. But, you know, the data
15	that we're talking about here, you know, for
16	permit purposes is generally developed by our
17	contractor contractors that we would hire.
18	MS. ANDRIA: Thank you.
19	MR. RAO: And is this change in
20	background concentrations, the approval
21	process, is that done as part of significant
22	modification?
23	MR. SCHUBERT: Yes, sir.
24	MR. BALLENGER: Yes, sir.

1	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Further
2	questions then of any kind on Proposed
3	Amendment No. 37?
4	(No verbal response.)
5	HEARING OFFICER FOX: The next four
6	Proposed Amendments, Nos. 38, 39, 40 and 41
7	were all characterized by Mr. Johnson in his
8	pre-filed testimony as non-substantive.
9	If the Agency concurs in that
10	assessment and there's no and I see
11	Ms. Geving indicating that she does concur
12	and there are no questions about those which
13	appear only to re-number some of the
14	language, we can go right ahead to Proposed
15	Amendment No. 42.
16	(No verbal response.)
17	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And seeing no
18	questions, we will go to Proposed Amendment
19	No. 42 relating to Section 811.320(e)(1).
20	Ms. Andria.
21	MS. ANDRIA: Is there someplace that
22	is referenced what is an inappropriate test
23	and an appropriate test and how is that
24	determined? Is that all under US EPA?

1	MR. JOHNSON: Yes. The US EPA has
2	developed and conducted training on a new
3	guidance document, and we took a look at
4	these regulations with regard to what
5	US EPA is advocating in their new guidance
6	document.
7	You heard Ms. Thompson talk about
8	statistical power. We took a look at that.
9	We did also consult with Dr. Robert Gibbons
10	on these regulations to update that some of
11	these tests are no longer in use. And there
12	is a body of peer-reviewed research that lays
13	out the rationale for not using these tests
14	and using for up-to-date methods.
15	MR. HILBERT: And just to add one more
16	point of clarification, the inappropriate
17	language here is to distinguish between when
18	data is normal and non-normal. And that's
19	just a statistical term. And you cannot use
20	statistical tests that are based on normality
21	of data for data that's not normal. That's
22	what that language is referring to.
23	MS. ANDRIA: Those tests, are they
24	like, do they break down in site specific

1	conditions?
2	MR. HILBERT: They are affected by the
3	site specific conditions, meaning that every
4	site is different. Some sites may have
5	normal data and some sites may have
6	non-normal data.
7	MS. ANDRIA: But, I mean, EPA gives
8	you the guidance as to what you would what
9	kind of test is appropriate for, say, the
10	mythical land in a floodplain as opposed to a
11	landfill that's located in an old abandoned
12	coal mine?
13	MR. HILBERT: Exactly.
14	MS. ANDRIA: Thank you.
15	MS. LIU: I had a question, too.
16	Mr. Johnson, in your pre-filed testimony on
17	this section you state that, quote, "We
18	propose to delete existing references to
19	specific normal theory statistical tests and
20	nonparametric statistical tests." And then
21	in the proposed revisions I noticed that the
22	section on normal theory is deleted, but the
23	nonparametric section remains. Was that your
24	intent?

1	MR	JOHNSON:	Yeah.	We	could	still
2	use those	tests.				

MS. LIU: Okay. Thank you. And talking here earlier today you mentioned that you view these as more appropriate tests.

Since your proposed rule is now eliminating some of the tests that were introduced before or at least recommended for use before, can you provide some examples of statistical tests that would be consistent with US quidance now?

MR. JOHNSON: Yeah. I think that the bulk of our changes relate to -- the existing regs were kind of, sort of specific on some of the tests that you need to use and as my colleague, Tom Hilbert, has described, under different data distributions. And what we've attempted to do in working with the Agency on this whole set of regs is to open it up more and make it be more performance-based on the statistical power curve. So because there's so many different data distributions that you can come across and, as we've talked about, different site-specific situations, we want

1	to focus on what gives us the best
2	performance, which is the statistical power
3	curve which balances the false positive rate
4	and the false negative rate, meaning we're
5	optimizing that statistic to be able to tell
6	us when we've got a potential problem.
7	So we've kind of tried to open it
8	up. I don't know if that
9	MR. SCHUBERT: Give some examples.
10	MR. JOHNSON: You know, which would
11	be prediction limits would be something
12	that we commonly use, tolerance intervals,
13	depending, of course, on the distribution.
14	DR. GIRARD: I'd just like to clarify
15	the list of references that you used for all
16	of the statistical I guess, you know, the
17	changes in the statistical methods that you
18	used in the regulations. So that's all in
19	that supplemental information and errata
20	sheet which was first filed with the Board;
21	is that correct?
22	MR. JOHNSON: Is that the first one?
23	MR. NORTHRUP: Yeah.
24	MR. JOHNSON: Yeah.

1	DR. GIRARD: What was the date that it
2	was filed with the Board?
3	MR. NORTHRUP: January 16th.
4	DR. GIRARD: So if they wanted to see
5	a full list of all the references that were
6	used for determining the statistical tests
7	and re-evaluating which ones are better,
8	that's the sheet they should go to? It's got
9	the US EPA guidance and other documents.
10	MR. JOHNSON: It appears that they're
11	in there. They're kind of mixed in. They're
12	not broken out into a separate statistical
13	section, though.
14	BOARD MEMBER JOHNSON: Is that the
15	document that I gave you before?
16	DR. GIRARD: Yeah.
17	BOARD MEMBER JOHNSON: Okay.
18	DR. GIRARD: Are there any of those
19	references that are best for looking at? I
20	mean, some of the US EPA guidance documents,
21	I noticed there are at least two of them that
22	deal with statistics. One is sort of an
23	addendum in 92 and then there's an earlier
24	one.

1	MR. JOHNSON: Yes. The '92 addendum
2	to the interim final is probably a good one
3	to discuss a lot of these. Also, there is an
4	ASTM standard that discusses these matters,
5	too.
6	DR. GIRARD: Is that listed in there.
7	MR. JOHNSON: I don't see that in
8	here.
9	DR. GIRARD: Well, if you can submit
10	that with comments before the next hearing,
11	that would be great.
12	MS. GEVING: Would that be ASTM STP
13	1118?
14	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Which is at the
15	bottom of Page 3 of the supplemental
16	information.
17	MS. GEVING: Correct.
18	MR. JOHNSON: Yeah. I didn't notice
19	that.
20	DR. GIRARD: So on Page 3 of that
21	addendum we've got the US EPA 1992 addendum
22	to interim final guidance document, which
23	is then we would also have that ASTM STP
24	1118.

1	MR. JOHNSON: That's correct.
2	DR. GIRARD: Which is a good source.
3	Thank you.
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Are there any
5	further questions pertaining to the language
6	proposed in Proposed Amendment No. 42?
7	(No verbal response.)
8	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none,
9	we'll proceed to Propose Amendment No. 43
10	relating to Section 811.320(e)(3). Are there
11	questions on anyone's part for either the
12	Association or the Agency on the substance of
13	that Proposed Amendment?
14	(No verbal response.)
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none, we
16	can proceed to Proposed Amendment No. 44
17	addressing Section 811.320(e)(3)(A). Is
18	there a question on anyone's part relating to
19	the substance in Proposed Amendment No. 44?
20	(No verbal response.)
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing no
22	indication that there are questions, we'll
23	proceed to Proposed Amendment No. 45 relating
24	to Section 811.320(e)(3)(B). Are there

1	questions on anyone's part relating to the
2	substance of Proposed Amendment No. 45?
3	MS. LIU: I was just wondering
4	about and I'll mispronounce it I'm sure
5	the Aitchison Adjustment Standard Statistical
6	Method?
7	MR. SCHUBERT: It's an adjustment to
8	normal statistics. So it's if you had
9	non-normal, right?
10	MR. JOHNSON: I believe, yeah.
11	MR. SCHUBERT: So it would be a
12	non-normal data set?
13	MR. JOHNSON: For normal data.
14	MR. SCHUBERT: For non-normal data
15	set, it gives you a different way of
16	calculating the standard deviations so you
17	can plug it into, like, a normal tolerance
18	interval equation.
19	MS. THOMPSON: (Inaudible).
20	MS. MOORE: Did you hear her?
21	THE COURT REPORTER: No. I need you
22	to repeat that.
23	MS. THOMPSON: It is the use of
24	Aitchison for adjustment is based on the

1	number of detected parameters in data sets.
2	Anything that's less than
3	50 percent detection has to be adjusted.
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Are there any
5	more questions then relating to Proposed
6	Amendment No. 45.
7	(No verbal response.)
8	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none, we
9	are prepared to go to Proposed Amendment No.
10	46 relating to Section 811.320(e)(3)(C). Is
11	there a question on any participant's part
12	relating to the substance of Proposed
13	Amendment No. 46?
14	(No verbal response.)
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And seeing none,
16	that allows us to go to Proposed Amendment
17	No. 47 relating to Section 811.320(e)(4).
18	Are there questions on anyone's part relating
19	to the subject of Proposed Amendment No. 47?
20	(No verbal response.)
21	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And seeing no
22	indication that there are questions, we'll go
23	to Proposed Amendment No. 48 addressing
2.4	Section $811.320(e)(5)$ . Is there a question

1	related to the subject of that Proposed
2	Amendment?
3	(No verbal response.)
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And seeing no
5	indication that there is, we'll go to the
6	final Proposed Amendment No. 49 relating to
7	Section 811.320(e)(6).
8	Is there a question relating to
9	the language of that Proposed Amendment?
10	(No verbal response.)
11	HEARING OFFICER FOX: And seeing none,
12	that brings us to the end of the amendments
13	proposed in the original filing by the
14	Association and addressed in the pre-filed
15	testimony.
16	Is there anyone else present today
17	who wishes to testify? I did leave a sheet
18	out near the door that allowed anyone who
19	wished to, to indicate that they would like
20	to testify. And with Mr. Liebman's help, I
21	think we're determining that that is, in
22	fact, blank and that there is no one who
23	formally wished to do so. I'm referring,
24	obviously, only to a couple of you. Did you

1	wish to offer testimony at this time to be
2	sworn in to offer it at this point?
3	MS. ANDRIA: No. I've been sworn, but
4	I I do have one additional question, if I
5	may?
6	HEARING OFFICER FOX: My next order of
7	business was to see if there was any last
8	question before we moved onto some
9	housekeeping details. Please go ahead, Ms.
10	Andria.
11	MS. ANDRIA: I'm very curious. I
12	started out very happy that you were
13	including all of the other kinds of landfills
14	that are not permitted under this. But given
15	the Agency's response, I don't see how it can
16	be at all useful to them given their
17	resources and their lack of resources and
18	their and I'm not even sure legally. So
19	I'm wondering why you included that in this
20	proposal these proposed rulings to have
21	these other landfills come under the umbrella
22	of this?
23	MR. HILBERT: We didn't specifically
24	offer any changes in regards to

1	MS. ANDRIA: I can't hear you.
2	MR. HILBERT: We didn't offer any
3	specific changes in regards to on-site
4	facilities. You know, by default they may be
5	covered under certain changes that we're
6	proposing, but this is really all these
7	changes are really with municipal solid waste
8	landfills in mind and how they fall how
9	the on-site facilities fall under these rules
10	is up to them, really.
11	They're not permitted, right?
12	MR. LIEBMAN: Right.
13	MR. HILBERT: I'd like to defer to the
14	attorneys on some of this.
15	MR. LIEBMAN: The Board might be in a
16	better position to explain this, but I'll
17	take a stab at it. Really, the right now,
18	both permitted and unpermitted facilities are
19	subject to the same standards with regard to
20	leachate and groundwater monitoring. And we
21	didn't make any changes that would, well,
22	change that structure.
23	We're making changes developed
24	to that would have changed, you know, the

1	fact that we're changing an 811 regulation
2	that, as Tom said, is geared for permitted
3	landfills. But I guess it would also apply
4	to unpermitted landfills because that's the
5	way the regulations are currently structured.
6	MR. SCHUBERT: I think what's
7	significant maybe that you picked out of
8	these regulations is that, in particular,
9	like the parameters selection for detection
10	monitoring, there was specific accommodations
11	made for consideration of non-MSW landfills,
12	which tend to be the non-permitted landfills.
13	We did try to keep an open view of
14	how it would affect everybody and I think as
15	a result, you know, might have better
16	regulations, at least in that one instance,
17	for the on-site facilities.
18	MS. ANDRIA: And then just one other
19	question about the non-municipal landfills or
20	the non-solid waste. I forgot how you
21	described it. One point in there and I
22	don't remember where you referred to more
23	than 50 percent or the 50 percent cut-off.
24	When you do that, is that referring to to

1	what exactly, like special waste or
2	construction demolition debris or what is the
3	other of the 50 percent?
4	MR. SCHUBERT: Anything that wouldn't
5	be MSW. I'd have to take a look, but I
6	believe that's correct.
7	MR. HILBERT: The definition of
8	municipal solid waste is underneath the
9	Environmental Protection Act.
10	MS. ANDRIA: I can't hear you.
11	MR. HILBERT: The definition of
12	municipal solid waste is underneath the
13	Environmental Protection Act. That's where
14	you would figure out what the other stuff
15	would be.
16	(Brief pause.)
17	MR. HILBERT: So typically you
18	know, I think I heard people mention that
19	would be coal combustion ash, fly ash, things
20	of that nature, which would be associated
21	more often than not with an on-site facility
22	And maybe the attorneys can
23	explain why some sites are permitted and some
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1	regulations, make facilities that aren't
2	currently subject to permit, subject to
3	permit.
4	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Any further
5	questions from any of the participants? Any
6	further questions at all?
7	MS. ANDRIA: I just wanted to say I
8	appreciate your patience with us. Being
9	non-attorneys and non-engineering people and
10	this being our first rulemaking, I really do
11	appreciate all of the courtesies that you
12	have extended to us, both the Agency, the
13	Solid Wastes Management Association and the
14	Board. Thank you.
15	HEARING OFFICER FOX: You're very
16	welcome. And it looks like we'll be able to
17	wrap-up the first hearing in a single day
18	very shortly.
19	We, I think, have established
20	clearly that no one has either in writing or
21	by their appearance indicated an interest in
22	providing any further testimony here at the
23	first hearing.
24	Why don't we go off the record

1	very briefly and discuss the second hearing,
2	if we may do that, please.
3	(Whereupon, a discussion
4	was had off the record.
5	HEARING OFFICER FOX: We went briefly
6	off the record for the purpose of discussing
7	some procedural issues relating to the date
8	of the second hearing that was on
9	November 17th, scheduled to take place
10	beginning on Wednesday, February 28th, 2007,
11	beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Pollution
12	Control Board's conference room in
13	Springfield. And we will proceed with that
14	second hearing as scheduled.
15	In response to the input from the
16	parties, the filing deadline for pre-filed
17	testimony for that second hearing will be on
18	Thursday, February 15th of 2007. And the
19	mailbox rule contained in the Board's
20	procedural rules will not apply so that the
21	Board's clerk will need to receive a copy
22	either electronically or on paper of that
23	pre-filed testimony before the close of
24	business at 4:30 on Thursday, February 15th.

1	The Board does offer the option of
2	electronic filing of which the parties and
3	participants appear to be aware, and that
4	certainly would be a valid way to file any
5	pre-filed testimony.
6	Are there any questions about the
7	second hearing or generally before we close
8	the record and adjourn the fist hearing?
9	(No verbal response.)
10	HEARING OFFICER FOX: Seeing none, I'm
11	sure I speak for all of the Board members and
12	for the other Board staff in thanking you all
13	for your travel time, your preparation and
14	your information, the questions and the
15	answers and your testimony have been very
16	helpful as the Board moves toward determining
17	whether or not to adopt a first opinion a
18	first notice of opinion and order in this
19	proceeding. And thanks, once again. Travel
20	safely. We're adjourned.
21	(Which were all the proceedings
22	had in the above-entitled cause
23	on this date.)
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