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v.)	
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Please take notice that today we have filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board via electronic filing Respondent's Response and Memorandum in Opposition to Petitioner's Motion for an Interlocutory Appeal of Order denying Motions to Compel. A copy is herewith served upon the assigned Hearing Officer and the attorneys for the Petitioner, Commonwealth Edison.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois June 22, 2007

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RESPONSE AND MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL OF ORDER DENYING MOTIONS TO COMPEL DISCOVERY

Respondent Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("IEPA" or the "Agency") submits this Response and Memorandum in Opposition to Petitioner Commonwealth Edison Company's ("ComEd") Motion for Interlocutory Appeal of Order Denying Motions to Compel Discovery. ComEd's Motion, filed May 31, 2007, is to appeal the Corrected Hearing Officer's Order denying ComEd's Motion and Amended Motion to Compel the IEPA's response to several of ComEd's Initial Interrogatories and Request for the Production of Documents.

The Hearing Officer's Corrected Order, entered April 26, 2007, denying ComEd's Motions to Compel should be affirmed and upheld. In its present Motion, ComEd mischaracterizes the IEPA's position by focusing on the Agency's argument that the disputed discovery is overbroad, vague, and burdensome. While admittedly this was one of the important arguments asserted by the IEPA, the key issue the Agency has cited from the beginning is the **lack of relevance** of the requested information in a trade secret hearing when said hearing is to be held exclusively on the administrative record. The Hearing Officer reiterated the IEPA's argument in denying ComEd's Motions to Compel,

stating that based upon the Board's procedural rules, the voluminous historical

information sought is irrelevant and thus, inadmissible.

In support of this Motion, Respondent hereby incorporates as if fully stated herein

the Response and Memorandum in Opposition to Petitioner's Motion for Interlocutory

Appeal of Order denying Motions to Compel Discovery filed June 14, 2007 by the

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in the related trade secret appeal PCB Case No.

04-216.

For the foregoing reasons, Respondent respectfully requests that Petitioner's

Motion for Interlocutory Appeal of Order Denying Motions to Compel Discovery be

denied.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did on the 22nd day of June, 2007 send by United States mail a copy of Respondent's Response to Petitioner's Motion for an Interlocutory Appeal, to:

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