BEFORE THE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

JONES SERVICE STATION,)	
Petitioner,)	
v.)	PCB
)	(LUST Permit Appeal)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)	
PROTECTION AGENCY,)	
Respondent.)	

NOTICE OF FILING AND PROOF OF SERVICE

To: John T. Therriault, Acting Clerk

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today electronically filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, pursuant to Board Procedural Rule 101.302 (d), a PETITION FOR REVIEW OF THE AGENCY LUST DECISION, a copy of which is herewith served upon the attorneys of record in this cause.

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of this Notice of Filing, together with a copy of the document described above, were today served upon counsel of record of all parties to this cause by enclosing same in envelopes addressed to such attorneys with postage fully prepaid, and by depositing said envelopes in a U.S. Post Office Mailbox in Springfield, Illinois on the 13th day of November, 2009.

> Respectfully submitted, JONES SERVICE STATION, Petitioner

BY: MOHAN, ALEWELT, PRILLAMAN & ADAMI

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PETITION FOR REVIEW OF THE AGENCY LUST DECISION

NOW COMES Petitioner, JONES SERVICE STATION, pursuant to Sections 40 and 57.8 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act and hereby appeals that portion of the LUST Decision issued on October 9, 2009, by Respondent Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("IEPA"), payment of \$5,470.74, in support thereof states as follows:

- Jones Service Station was the owner or operator of underground storage tanks located in Olive Branch, County of Alexander, Illinois. The site has been assigned LPC #0038565003.
- 2. In 2008 a release was reported from the site and Incident No. 20080080 was assigned to it.
- 3. Subsequently site investigation activities took place, a budget was approved and corrective action was completed. A No Further Remediation Letter was issued for the site on July 30, 2008.
- 4. On May 27, 2009, Jones Service Station submitted application for payment in amount of \$39,408.93. The payment application was accompanied by over 60 pages detailed invoices, hourly breakdowns, bills, receipts and cancelled checks supporting the payment request sought.

5. The site was subject to a \$10,000 deductible, and therefore the amount requested

was effectively \$29,408.93.

6.

On October 9, 2009, the IEPA unjustifiably denied costs lacking supporting

documentation. Prior to rendering its final decision, the IEPA did not request additional

information or revise its payment application forms to identify additional information above and

beyond that which was provided in the voluminous submissions of Jones Service Station's

consultants. A true and correct copy of the Agency's denial letter is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

7. Furthermore, the Agency appears to have improperly reassigned job tasks from

those performed by Project Engineer and Senior Project Manager to someone else without legal

justification.

WHEREFORE, Jones Service Station requests that the reductions from the Agency be

reversed, that the Agency be directed to pay Jones Service Station \$5,470.74, that the attorney

fees paid by undersigned counsel be reimbursed, and for such other and further relief as the

Board deems meet and just.

Respectfully submitted,

JONES SERVICE STATION, Petitioner

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Jones Service Station

Attention: Wayne Robert Jones c/o CW3M Company, Inc.

P.O. Box 571

Carlinville, Illinois 62626

Re: LPC 0038565003 - Alexander County

Olive Branch/Jones Service Station

27239 State Highway #3

Incident-Claim No.: 20080080 - 56835

Queue Date: May 27, 2009 Leaking UST Fiscal File DECEIVE L OCT 1 0 2009

Dear Mr. Jones:

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) has completed the review of your application for payment from the Underground Storage Tank (UST) Fund for the above-referenced Leaking UST incident pursuant to Section 57.8(a) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (Act), as amended by Public Act 92-0554 on June 24, 2002, and 35 Illinois Administrative Code (35 Ill. Adm. Code) 734, Subpart F.

This information is dated May 27, 2009 and was received by the Illinois EPA on May 27, 2009. The application for payment covers the period from January 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009. The amount requested is \$39,408.93.

On May 27, 2009, the Illinois EPA received your complete application for payment for this claim. As a result of Illinois EPA's review of this application for payment, a voucher for \$23,938.19 will be prepared for submission to the Comptroller's Office for payment as funds become available based upon the date the Illinois EPA received your complete request for payment of this application for payment. Subsequent applications for payment that have been/are submitted will be processed based upon the date complete subsequent application for payment requests are received by the Illinois EPA. This constitutes the Illinois EPA's final action with regard to the above application(s) for payment.

The deductible amount of \$10,000.00 was withheld from your payment. Pursuant to Section 57.8(a)(4) of the Act, any deductible, as determined pursuant to the Office of the State Fire Marshal's eligibility and deductibility final determination in accordance with Section 57.9 of the Act, shall be subtracted from any payment invoice paid to an eligible owner or operator.

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There are costs from this claim that are not being paid. Listed in Attachment A are the costs that are not being paid and the reasons these costs are not being paid.

An underground storage tank system owner or operator may appeal this decision to the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Appeal rights are attached.

If you have any questions or require further assistance, please contact Doug Tolan of my staff at 217/782-6762.

Sincerely,

John Sherrill, Manager Financial Management Unit Bureau of Land

JS: DMT

Attachment A Appeal Rights

cc:

CW3M Company, Inc. Leaking UST Claims Unit Doug Tolan

John S. Sherill

Attachment A Technical Deductions

Re: LPC # 0338565003 - Alexander County Olive Branch / Jones Service Station 27239 State Highway 3 Leaking UST Incident No. 20080080 Claim No. 56835 Leaking UST Fiscal File

Citations in this attachment are from the Environmental Protection Act (Act), as amended by Public Act 92-0554 on June 24, 2002, and 35 Illinois Administrative Code (35 Ill. Adm. Code).

Item # Description of Deductions

- 1. \$4,511.25 for costs that lack supporting documentation and justification. Pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.605(b)(9) and 734.630(cc), application for payments must include an accounting of all costs, including but not limited to, invoices, receipts, and supporting documentation showing the dates and descriptions of the work performed. In addition, reasonableness of costs cannot be determined without documentation. Pursuant to 734.630(ee), costs incurred during early action that are unreasonable are ineligible.
 - *\$ 4,048.56 Excavation, Transportation, and Disposal.
 - *\$ 462.69 Backfill.

The above costs were submitted per bidding. In order for the bids to be reviewed pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.855, a breakdown of what is included in the bid and what specific costs exceed the Subpart H rates must be provided. Justification must be provided to document why the bids were necessary and why the Subpart H rates could not be met for this project. In this case the UST removal appears to be an intricate part of the remediation however, the UST removal portion of the project was not bid.

2. \$163.56, deduction for costs for technical costs incurred after the issuance of the NFR letter, which exceed the minimum requirements necessary to comply with the Act. Costs associated with site investigation and corrective action activities and associated materials or services exceeding the minimum requirements necessary to comply with the Act are not eligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.630(o).

In addition these costs lack supporting documentation. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.630(cc). Since there is no supporting documentation of costs, the Illinois EPA cannot determine that costs will not be used for activities in excess of those necessary to meet the minimum

requirements of Title XVI of the Act. Therefore, such costs are not approved pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act because they may be used for site investigation or corrective action activities in excess of those required to meet the minimum requirements of Title XVI of the Act.

3. \$795.93, deduction for a reduction in the personnel title listed in Section 734.APPENDIX E Personnel Titles and Rates. Pursuant to Section 734.850(b) personnel costs must not exceed the amounts set forth in Appendix E and the personnel costs must be based on the work performed, regardless the title of the person performing the work. The Engineer and Senior Project Manager rates have been reduced to a Senior Account Technician rate of \$58.20 per hour.

The costs exceed the maximum payment amounts set forth in Subpart H, Appendix D, and/or Appendix E of 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734. Such costs are ineligible for payment from the Fund pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.630(zz). In addition, such costs are not approved pursuant to Section 57.7(c)(3) of the Act because they are not reasonable.

Appeal Rights

An underground storage tank owner or operator may appeal this final decision to the Illinois Pollution Control Board pursuant to Sections 40 and 57.7(c)(4) of the Act by filing a petition for a hearing within 35 days after the date of issuance of the final decision. However, the 35-day period may be extended for a period of time not to exceed 90 days by written notice from the owner or operator and the Illinois EPA within the initial 35-day appeal period. If the owner or operator wishes to receive a 90-day extension, a written request that includes a statement of the date the final decision was received, along with a copy of this decision, must be sent to the Illinois EPA as soon as possible.

For information regarding the filing of an appeal, please contact:

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For information regarding the filing of an extension, please contact:

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