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Illinois Pollution Control Board James R. Thompson Center 100 W. Randolph Street, Suite 11-500 Chicago, Illinois 60601 **Attention:** Mr. John Theriault, Clerk

> RE: 0630600001 – Grundy County Community Landfill – Parcel B Permit No. 2000-155-LFM Log No. 2009-425 Permit Landfill 811 File Permit Denial

Gentlemen:

This firm represents Community Landfill Co. (CLC) and we are in receipt of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's letter dated January 11, 2010 denying CLC's application for a permit for significant modification to modify a solid waste management site (Log No. 2009-425) as referenced above. A copy of the IEPA's letter is attached.

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On behalf of CLC and pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1), this letter constitutes written notice of extension of time for 90 days (to April 12, 2010) for CLC to file its petition for hearing before the Illinois Pollution Control Board. CLC received the IEPA's January 11, 2010 permit denial by certified mail on or about January 19, 2010, and this notice is timely made.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Mark A. LaRose

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cc: Community Landfill Co. (by U.S. Mail)

Ms. Christine Roque (by Certified Return/Receipt U.S. Mail)

Ms. Clarissa Y. Cutler (by U.S. Mail)

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January 11, 2010

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- Morris, Illinois 60450

Re: 0630600001 -- Grundy County Community Landfill - Parcel B Permit No. 2000-155-LFM Log No. 2009-425 Permit Landfill 811 File Permit Denial CERTIFIED MAIL 7004 2510 0001 8615 9449 7004 2510 0001 8615 9456 OPERATOR

Community Landfill Company Attn: Mr. Robert J. Pruim 1501 S. Ashley Road Morris: Illinois 60450

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Dear Mayor Kopczick and Mr. Pruim:

This will acknowledge receipt of your Application for Permit for a significant modification to modify a solid waste management site, dated August 17, 2009 and October 9, 2009, and received by the Illinois EPA on August 18, 2009 and October 13, 2009, respectively.

Your permit application (Log No. 2009-425) proposes to increase the closure/post-closure care and corrective action cost estimates for Morris Community Landfill Parcel B from \$5,320,810.00 to \$5,330,823. This permit application is denied.

You have failed to provide proof that granting this permit would not result in violations of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (Act). Section 39(a) of the Act [415 ILCS 5/39(a)] requires the Illinois EPA to provide the applicant with specific reasons for the denial of permit. The following reasons are given:

1. Morris Community Landfill Parcel B is an existing permitted municipal solid waste landfill unit, which is subject to the requirements of 35 IAC Section 814 Subpart C. As such, the owner/operator must provide cost estimates for closure/post-closure care and corrective action for the landfill, per 35 IAC Subsections 811.704 and 812.115. These cost estimates are needed to determine the amount of financial assurance that the owner/operator must post to cover the cost of closure/post-closure care and corrective action, per 35 IAC 811.700 and 811.706 and Section 21.1 of the Act. The cost estimates, proposed in Log No. 2009-425, may underestimate the cost of closure/post-closure care and corrective action and may.

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therefore, violate the aforementioned regulatory and statutory citations for the following reasons:

- a. No cost is provided for the removal and disposal of excess waste (overheight) as required by landfill's permit and PCB01-49.
- b. The proposed cost estimate assumes that final cover has been applied to a portion of the site, referencing a "Landfill Cover Characterization and Verification of Thickness Report" dated November 2007. However, this report is not included in the application. [Note: Documentation of construction of final cover is subject to the permitting process described in 35 IAC 813.203]
- c. No cost is provided for performing the corrective action required by the approved groundwater remediation plan.
- d. No justification is provided for the unit costs, that were used to calculate the cost estimates. Furthermore, the cost estimates for earthwork, including stormwater features and final cover certification, need to be broken down into tasks, labor, and materials.
- e. No justification is provided for the cost estimate proposed for maintaining the final cover and its vegetation during the post-closure care period.
- f. The cost estimate for leachate monitoring is based on fewer monitoring points and less frequent testing than what is required by the landfill's permit.
- g. The application does not include documentation of leachate generation rates. This is needed to accurately estimate the cost of leachate collection and management.
- h. No cost is provided for the operation and maintenance of the active gas collection system.
- i. No cost is provided for maintaining of the leachate system, collecting and monitoring leachate, and monitoring groundwater elevations for 70 years after the minimum post-closure care has ended, as required by the landfill's permit.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 39(i)(2) of the Act [415 ILCS 5/39(i)(2)], the Illinois EPA may deny a permit if the owner or operator has a history of conviction of a felony in federal court. In accordance with Section 39(i) of the Act, the Illinois EPA conducted an evaluation of Community Landfill Corporation's prior experience in waste management operations. Based on the felony conviction of Robert J. Pruim, which is directly related to the management of waste in Illinois, the Illinois EPA, by the authority granted in Section

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39(i) of the Act is denying this permit. Mr. Robert J. Pruim was convicted in federal court of a felony in the case of U.S.A. v. Pruim, et al., No. 93-CR-682 (Dist. Ct. N-IL).

Within 35 days after the date of mailing of the Illinois EPA's final decision, the applicant may petition for a hearing before the Illinois Pollution Control Board to contest the decision of the Illinois EPA, however, the 35-day period for petitioning for a hearing may be extended for a period of time not to exceed 90 days by written notice provided to the Board from the applicant and the Illinois EPA within the 35-day initial appeal period.

Should you wish to reapply or have any questions regarding this application, please contact Christine Roque at 217/524-3299.

Sincerely,

Stephen F. Nightingale, P.E. Manager, Permit Section

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cc: Jesse P. Varsho, P.E. - Shaw Environmental, Inc.