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BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have filed today with the Office of the Clerk of the

Illinois Pollution Control Board the Pre-Hearing Comments of the Illinois Environmental

Protection Agency, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGE By:

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PRE-HEARING COMMENTS OF THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

On December 2, 2010, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA" or "Agency") filed a rulemaking proposal with the Pollution Control Board ("Board") in the above-captioned proceeding containing proposed amendments to the Board's water quality standards regulations.

The Board found that the Illinois EPA's proposal met the procedural requirements of 35 Ill. Adm. Code 102.202 and accepted the proposal for hearing at its December 16, 2010 meeting.

Within its December 16, 2010 Opinion and Order, the Board published two tables providing summaries of the Board's existing standards for boron, fluoride and manganese and the Agency's proposed changes to those standards.

The Agency has identified errors in the two Tables and has included two corrected Tables for convenience and reference of the Board and interested stakeholders.

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Table 1:

Existing Water Quality Standards

: 1018 103111	Parameter (12	General Use	Non-open Lake Michigan Basin	Open Lake Michigan Basin	Secondary Contact and Indigenous Aquatic Life Standards*	Public and Food Processing Water Supply
	Boron	1.0 mg/l	1.0 mg/l	1.0 mg/l	None set	None set**
	Fluoride	1.4 mg/l	1.4 mg/l	1.4 mg/l	15 mg/l	None set**
	Manganese	1.0 mg/l	1.0 mg/l	0.15 mg/l	1.0 mg/l	0.15 mg/l

*No changes are proposed to these standards in R11-18, but may be addressed in R08-09(D)

**In the absence of a Public and Food Processing Water Supply Standard, the General Use Standards of 1.0 mg/L boron and 1.4 mg/L fluoride apply to these waters. See, 35 III. Adm. Code 302.301.

Table 2: Illinois EPA's Proposed Water Quality Standard Changes*

Parameter	General Use and Non-	General Use and	Public and Food
	open Lake Michigan Basin	Non-open Lake	Processing Water
	Acute	Michigan Basin	Supply
-		Chronic	
Boron	40,100 µg/l	7,600 µg/l	1.0 mg/l
Fluoride	exp[A +Bln(H)] µg/l	exp[A+Bln(H)] µg/l,	1.4 mg/l
	where A = 6.7319	but shall not exceed	
	and B = 0.5394	4.0 mg/l	
		where A = 6.0445	
		and B = 0.5394	2
Manganese	exp[A +Bln(H)] X 0.9812	exp[A +BIn(H)] X	-1.0 mg/l
	where A = 4.9187	0.9812	
	and B = 0.7467	where A = 4.0635	
:		and B = 0.7467	

*Existing standards with no change proposed have been omitted from Table 2.

The Agency's technical witnesses will be available to respond to questions about

these Tables at the hearings held regarding this regulatory proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

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I, the undersigned, on oath state that I have served the attached Pre-Hearing Comments of

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