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Mr. Thomas Holbrook Chairman Illinois Pollution Control Board Chicago, Il

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Dear Chairman Holbrook,

I am writing on behalf of the Jo Daviess County Farm Bureau, and livestock producers throughout northwest Illinois regarding proposed hearings on new rules that regulate Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations, (please see attached). Both Congressman Bobby Schilling of the 17th District and I have been contacted by concerned parties in the region.

Last year, I held meetings and workshops with the US EPA and II EPA in an effort to help our regional producers comply with federal and state regulations. There is a large number of CAFO's in this region and therefore I respectfully request that you hold one of the hearings in Jo Daviess County to help insure maximum participation from the producers.

It is critical that you receive input from those small businesses most impacted by the new rules. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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