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May 3, 2013

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John Therriault, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board James R. Thompson Center 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 11-500 Chicago, Illinois 60601

Re:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency v. James & Pam Green

IEPA File No. 86-13-AC; 1958070001—Whiteside County

Dear Mr. Therriault:

Enclosed for filing with the Illinois Pollution Control Board, please find the original and nine true and correct copies of the Administrative Citation Package, consisting of the Administrative Citation, the inspector's Affidavit, and the inspector's Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Open Dump Inspection Checklist, issued to the above-referenced respondent(s).

On this date, a copy of the Administrative Citation Package was sent to the Respondent(s) via Certified Mail. As soon as I receive the return receipt, I will promptly file a copy with you, so that the Illinois Pollution Control Board may calculate the thirty-five (35) day appeal period for purposes of entering a default judgment in the event the Respondent(s) fails or elects not to file a petition for review contesting the Administrative Citation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number above. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Michelle M. Ryan by JR

Assistant Counsel

Enclosures

#### BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

#### ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION



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ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,	)  Pollution Control Boal )
Complainant,	) AC 13-42
v.	) (IEPA No. 86-13-AC)
JAMES & PAM GREEN,	)
Respondent.	)

**NOTICE OF FILING** 

To: James & Pam Green 23280 Penrose Road Coleta, IL 61081-9336

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on this date I mailed for filing with the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board of the State of Illinois the following instrument(s) entitled ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION, AFFIDAVIT, and OPEN DUMP INSPECTION CHECKLIST.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle M. Ryan

Assistant Counsel

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276 (217) 782-5544

Dated: May 3, 2013

## BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION



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#### JURISDICTION

This Administrative Citation is issued pursuant to the authority vested in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency by Section 31.1 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1 (2010).

#### **FACTS**

- 1. That James & Pam Green are the current owners ("Respondents") of a facility located at 23280 Penrose Road, Coleta, Whiteside County, Illinois. The property is commonly known to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency as Coleta (Genesee Twsp)/James Green.
- 2. That said facility is an open dump operating without an Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Operating Permit and is designated with Site Code No. 1958070001.
  - 3. That Respondents have owned said facility at all times pertinent hereto.
- 4. That on March 20, 2013, Shaun Newell of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's ("Illinois EPA") Rockford Regional Office inspected the above-described facility. A copy of the inspection report setting forth the results of said inspection is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

5. That on 5-3-13, Illinois EPA sent this Administrative Citation via Certified Mail No. 7012 0470 0001 2998 5485

#### **VIOLATIONS**

Based upon direct observations made by Shaun Newell during the course of the March 20, 2013 inspection of the above-named facility, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has determined that Respondents have violated the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (hereinafter, the "Act") as follows:

- (1) That Respondents caused or allowed the open dumping of waste in a manner resulting in litter, a violation of Section 21(p)(1) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(1) (2010).
- (2) That Respondents caused or allowed water to accumulate in used or waste tires, a violation of Section 55(k)(1) of the Act, 415 ILCS 55(k)(1) (2010).

#### CIVIL PENALTY

Pursuant to Section 42(b)(4-5) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/42(b)(4-5) (2010), Respondents are subject to a civil penalty of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) for each of the violations identified above, for a total of <u>Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00)</u>. If Respondents elect not to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board, the statutory civil penalty specified above shall be due and payable no later than <u>June 3, 2013</u>, unless otherwise provided by order of the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

If Respondents elect to contest this Administrative Citation by petitioning the Illinois Pollution Control Board in accordance with Section 31.1 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1 (2010), and if the Illinois Pollution Control Board issues a finding of violation as alleged herein, after an adjudicatory hearing, Respondents shall be assessed the associated hearing costs incurred by the Illinois Environmental

Protection Agency and the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Those hearing costs shall be assessed in addition to the One Thousand Five Hundred Dollar (\$1,500.00) statutory civil penalty for each violation.

Pursuant to Section 31.1(d)(1) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1(d)(1) (2010), if Respondents fail to petition or elect not to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board for review of this Administrative Citation within thirty-five (35) days of the date of service, the Illinois Pollution Control Board shall adopt a final order, which shall include this Administrative Citation and findings of violation as alleged herein, and shall impose the statutory civil penalty specified above.

When payment is made, Respondent's check shall be made payable to the Illinois Environmental Protection Trust Fund and mailed to the attention of Fiscal Services, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276. Along with payment, Respondents shall complete and return the enclosed Remittance Form to ensure proper documentation of payment.

If any civil penalty and/or hearing costs are not paid within the time prescribed by order of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, interest on said penalty and/or hearing costs shall be assessed against the Respondents from the date payment is due up to and including the date that payment is received. The Office of the Illinois Attorney General may be requested to initiate proceedings against Respondents in Circuit Court to collect said penalty and/or hearing costs, plus any interest accrued.

### PROCEDURE FOR CONTESTING THIS ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

Respondents have the right to contest this Administrative Citation pursuant to and in accordance with Section 31.1 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31/1 (2010). If Respondents elect to contest this Administrative Citation, then Respondents shall file a signed Petition for Review, including a Notice of Filing, Certificate of Service, and Notice of Appearance, with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, State of Illinois Center, 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500, Chicago, Illinois 60601. A copy of said Petition for Review shall be filed with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Division of Legal Counsel at 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276. Section 31.1 of the Act provides that any Petition for Review shall be filed within thirty-five (35) days of the date of service of this Administrative Citation or the Illinois Pollution Control Board shall enter a default judgment against the Respondents.

Lisa Bonnett, Director

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Prepared by:

Susan E. Konzelmann, Legal Assistant

Division of Legal Counsel

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# CLERK'S OFFICE MAY 0 9 2013 STATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board

#### **REMITTANCE FORM**

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTA PROTECTION AGENCY, Complainant,	AL	)	AC 13-42
v.  JAMES & PAM GREEN,  Respondents.		) ) ) ) ) )	(IEPA No. 86-13-AC)
FACILITY: SITE CODE NO.: COUNTY: CIVIL PENALTY: DATE OF INSPECTION:	Coleta (Genesee 1958070001 Whiteside \$3,000.00 March 20, 2013	, Twsp)/Jame	es Green
DATE REMITTED: SS/FEIN NUMBER: SIGNATURE:			

#### **NOTE**

Please enter the date of your remittance, your Social Security number (SS) if an individual or Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) if a corporation, and sign this Remittance Form. Be sure your check is enclosed and mail, along with Remittance Form, to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Attn.: Fiscal Services, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276.

#### STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF WHITESIDE



#### **AFFIDAVIT**

- I, Shaun Newell, being first duly sworn upon oath, depose and state as follows:
- 1. Affiant is a field inspector employed by the Land Pollution Control Division of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and has been so employed at all times pertinent hereto.
- 2. On March 20, 2013, between 10:55 A.M. and 11:10 A.M., Affiant conducted an inspection of the open dump in Whiteside County, Illinois, known as James Green Property, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Site No. LPC# 1958070001.
- 3. Affiant inspected said solid waste open dump site by an on-site inspection, which included walking and photographing the site.
- 4. As a result of the activities referred to in Paragraph 3 above, Affiant completed the Inspection Report form attached hereto and made a part hereof, which, to the best of Affiant's knowledge and belief, is an accurate representation of Affiant's observations and factual conclusions with respect to said solid waste open dump.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Subscribed and Sworn to before

me this 25 day of March 2013

Notary Public

OFFICIAL SEAL
ORRAINE A. CHAPPELL
NOTARY PUBLIC. STATE OF ILLINOIS

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 1-12-2015

## ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Open Dump Inspection Checklist

County:	Whiteside	LPC#: 1958070001 Region: 1 - Rockford	t	
Location/S	Site Name:	Coleta (Genesee Twsp)/James Green		
Date:	03/20/2013	Time: From 10:55A To 11:10A Previous Inspection Date: 09/16/20	10	
Inspector(	s): Newell	Weather: Sunny cold 18 degrees		
No. of Pho	otos Taken: #	2 Est. Amt. of Waste: 40 yds³ Samples Taken: Yes# No		
Interviewe	d: James	Green Complaint #: C-10-063R		
	41.531735	Longitude: -89.475052 Collection Point Description: Site Entrance -		
(Example:	Lat.: 41.26493	Long.: -89.38294) Collection Method: Map Interpolation -		
		James & Pam Green RECEIVED		
Responsib Mailing Ad		23280 Penrose Road CLERK'S OFFICE		
	Number(s):	Coleta, IL 61081-9336 MAY 0 9 2013		
		815/590-8277		
		Pollution Control Board		
	SECTION	DESCRIPTION	VIOL	
	ILL	INOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT REQUIREMENTS		
1.	9(a)	CAUSE, THREATEN OR ALLOW AIR POLLUTION IN ILLINOIS		
2.	9(c)	CAUSE OR ALLOW OPEN BURNING		
3.	12(a)	CAUSE, THREATEN OR ALLOW WATER POLLUTION IN ILLINOIS		
4.	12(d)	CREATE A WATER POLLUTION HAZARD		
5.	21(a)	CAUSE OR ALLOW OPEN DUMPING		
6.	21(d)	CONDUCT ANY WASTE-STORAGE, WASTE-TREATMENT, OR WASTE- DISPOSAL OPERATION:		
	(1)	Without a Permit	$\boxtimes$	
	(2)	In Violation of Any Regulations or Standards Adopted by the Board		
7	21(e)	DISPOSE, TREAT, STORE, OR ABANDON ANY WASTE, OR TRANSPORT ANY WASTE INTO THE STATE AT/TO SITES NOT MEETING REQUIREMENTS OF ACT		
8.	21(p)	CAUSE OR ALLOW THE OPEN DUMPING OF ANY WASTE IN A MANNER WHICH RE IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING OCCURRENCES AT THE DUMP SITE:	SULTS	
	(1)	Litter	$\boxtimes$	
	(2)	Scavenging		
	(3)	Open Burning		
	(4)	Deposition of Waste in Standing or Flowing Waters		
	(5)	Proliferation of Disease Vectors		
	(6)	Standing or Flowing Liquid Discharge from the Dump Site		

#### LPC # 1958070001-Whiteside

Inspection Date:

03/20/2013

	(7)	Deposition of General Construction or Demolition Debris; or Clean Construction or Demolition Debris	$\boxtimes$	
9.	55(a)	NO PERSON SHALL:		
	(1)	Cause or Allow Open Dumping of Any Used or Waste Tire	$\boxtimes$	
	(2)	Cause or Allow Open Burning of Any Used or Waste Tire		
	35 ILLINOIS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE REQUIREMENTS SUBTITLE G			
10.	812.101(a)	FAILURE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO DEVELOP AND OPERATE A LANDFILL	$\boxtimes$	
11.	722.111	HAZARDOUS WASTE DETERMINATION		
12.	808.121	SPECIAL WASTE DETERMINATION		
13.	809.302(a)	ACCEPTANCE OF SPECIAL WASTE FROM A WASTE TRANSPORTER WITHOUT A WASTE HAULING PERMIT, UNIFORM WASTE PROGRAM REGISTRATION AND PERMIT AND/OR MANIFEST		
OTHER REQUIREMENTS				
14.		APPARENT VIOLATION OF: ( ) PCB; ( ) CIRCUIT COURT CASE NUMBER: ORDER ENTERED ON:		
15.	OTHER:			

#### Informational Notes

- 1. [Illinois] Environmental Protection Act: 415 ILCS 5/4.
- 2. Illinois Pollution Control Board: 35 Ill. Adm. Code, Subtitle G.
- Statutory and regulatory references herein are provided for convenience only and should not be construed as legal
  conclusions of the Agency or as limiting the Agency's statutory or regulatory powers. Requirements of some statutes
  and regulations cited are in summary format. Full text of requirements can be found in references listed in 1. and 2.
  above.
- 4. The provisions of subsection (p) of Section 21 of the [Illinois] Environmental Protection Act shall be enforceable either by administrative citation under Section 31.1 of the Act or by complaint under Section 31 of the Act.
- 5. This inspection was conducted in accordance with Sections 4(c) and 4(d) of the [Illinois] Environmental Protection Act: 415 ILCS 5/4(c) and (d).
- 6. Items marked with an "NE" were not evaluated at the time of this inspection.

LPC# 1958070001—Whiteside County Coleta (Genesee Twsp)/James Green FOS File

#### NARRATIVE INSPECTION REPORT

On March 20, 2013, I (Shaun Newell) reinspected the above referenced site. The residential property (farm) is located at 23280 Penrose Road in Coleta, Illinois 61081-9336. Co-owner/operator(s), James & Pam Green reside at the same location. The facility was originally inspected on March 30, 2010 based upon a citizen complaint filed with the Rockford Regional Office. The complaint known as C-10-063R, alleged that respondent, James Green of Coleta, Illinois was open burning solid waste on Saturday, March 27, 2010 at around 10:30 P.M. Coleta Fire Department and other area fire departments arrived on site to put out the fire. GPS points for this location are: Latitude 41.531735 and Longitude -89.475052.

Based on the March 30, 2010 inspection, the IEPA drafted an Open Dump Administrative Citation Warning Notice (ACWN) dated April 6, 2010. Specifically, various types of solid waste were found open dumped and open burned in a trench dug near the north side of the property. I estimated there was 200 cubic yards of solid waste open dumped in the trench and scattered in piles throughout the property. An additional 200 waste tires were found piled near the trench as well. The following alleged solid waste violations were cited: Sections 9(a), 9(c), 21(a), 21(d)(1), 21(d)(2), 21(e), 21(p)(1), 21(p)(2), 21(p)(3), 21(p)(7), 55(a)(1), 55(a)(2) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act and Section 812.101(a) of 35 Illinois Adm. Code. Mr. Green was scheduled to remove and properly dispose of all waste by June 30, 2010 and submit receipts for proper disposal by July 3, 2010.

On April 21, 2010, the Rockford Regional Office received a written response from James & Pam Green post marked April 20, 2010. The written response explained why the solid waste was open burned and how the solid waste would be removed. A follow-up inspection was scheduled for the middle of July 2010. Most of the solid waste remained on site. Fifty percent of the solid waste in the trench was removed. There is no documentation to verify proper disposal. Waste tires formerly piled along the north side of the building have been piled inside the northwest corner of the building. Mr. Green was granted additional time for compliance. I requested that Mr. Green needed to send a written request asking for additional compliance time but this was not completed. A follow-up inspection was conducted in September 2010.

On October 19, 2010, the Green's hand delivered 35 waste disposal receipts from Prairie Hill RDF landfill near Morrison, Illinois. A total of 48.35 cubic yards of solid waste was removed from the facility from March 19, 2010 to October 18, 2010. The Green's requested 30 days more to remove the waste tires. No written response was received from the property owners.

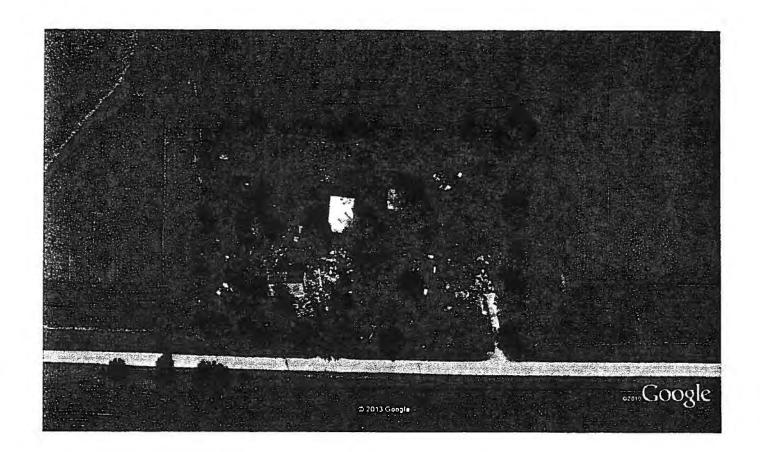
Upon arriving on site at 10:55 A.M., the weather was sunny with temperatures near 18 degrees. I knocked on the door to see if anyone was on site. No one appeared to be on site and I attempted to contact Mr. Green's cell phone. The number was apparently disconnected.

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Solid waste consistent with domicile waste was found piled near the driveway. I estimated the pile was 30 cubic yards of paneling, window frames, cabinets etc. A pile of waste tires were found piled east of the driveway. I estimated there were 50 to 60 waste tires stacked in this location. Two photographs were taken to document the solid waste on site. Photograph 1958070001~032013-001 faces north showing the solid waste near the driveway. Photograph 1958070001~032013-002 faces north showing the waste tires stored outside. I did not observe any open burning of solid waste on site.

I left the site at 11:10 A.M. Since no open burning activities were found on site, the alleged open burning violations previously cited in the April 6, 2010 have been resolved: Sections 9(a), 9(c), 21(p)(3) and 55(a)(2) of the Act.

Based on the presence of solid waste on site, the following apparent solid waste violations remain unresolved: Sections 21(a), 21(d)(1), 21(d)(2), 21(e), 21(p)(1), 21(p)(7), 55(a)(1) of the Act and Section 812.101(a) of 35 Illinois Adm. Code.



#### STATE OF ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### SITE SKETCH

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#### **DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPH PHOTOCOPIES**

DATE: March 20, 2013
TIME:.11:00 A.M.
DIRECTION: North
PHOTO by: S. Newell
PHOTO FILE NAME:
1958070001~032013-001
COMMENTS: Facing N
showing the solid waste pile
near the driveway.



DATE: March 20, 2013 TIME:.11:05 A.M. DIRECTION: North PHOTO by: S. Newell PHOTO FILE NAME: 1958070001~032013-002 COMMENTS: Facing N showing the waste tire pile.





#### **PROOF OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I did on the 3rd day of May 2013, send by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, with postage thereon fully prepaid, by depositing in a United States Post Office Box a true and correct copy of the following instrument(s) entitled ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION, AFFIDAVIT, and OPEN DUMP INSPECTION CHECKLIST

To: James & Pam Green

23280 Penrose Road Coleta, IL 61081-9336

and the original and nine (9) true and correct copies of the same foregoing instruments on the same date by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, with postage thereon fully prepaid

To: John Therriault, Clerk

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