

BEFORE THE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

BIGGS BROTHERS SERVICE CO.,)
 Petitioner,)
 v.)
)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)
PROTECTION AGENCY,)
 Respondent.)

PCB _____
(LUST Permit Appeal)

NOTICE OF FILING AND PROOF OF SERVICE

To: John T. Therriault, Acting Clerk Division of Legal Counsel
 Illinois Pollution Control Board Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
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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 1st day of August, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,
BIGGS BROTHERS SERVICE CO., Petitioner

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PETITION FOR REVIEW OF AGENCY LUST DECISION

NOW COMES Petitioner, BIGGS BROTHERS SERVICE CO., pursuant to Section 57.8(i) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, 415 ILCS 5/57.8(i), and hereby appeals the Agency's final decision, refusing to approve the application for payment, and in support thereof states as follows:

1. This appeal arises from underground storage tanks formally at Biggs Brothers Service Center in East St. Louis, Illinois, owned by Petitioner, as assigned LPC #1634255004.
2. Petitioner filed an application for payment for work performed pursuant to plans and budgets approved by the Illinois EPA.
3. On July 2, 2014, the Illinois EPA rejected the application for payment on the grounds that the application was incomplete. Attached hereto is a true and correct copy of said decision.
4. The Illinois EPA's decision should be reversed for the following reasons:
 - a. The application was complete, containing all of the information required of a complete application pursuant to Section 57.8 of the Illinois Environmental

Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/57.8(a)(6));

- b. The application was complete, containing all of the information required of a complete application pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code § 734.605;
- c. The application was complete pursuant to forms that existed at the time application for payment was submitted to the Illinois EPA;
- d. The Petitioner is relieved from the obligation to submit or file forms that are not in compliance with the Forms Notice Act (20 ILCS 435/1 *et seq.*);
- e. The information sought is irrelevant under the LUST Program; and
- f. The Agency improperly seeks to review documents that exceed its scope of review, including mandating the creation of new documents that were not created when the underlying transactions occurred, and were not relied upon in the completion of the application for payment.

5. The Agency's determination was made on July 2, 2014, which is less than 35 days from the date this appeal is being filed, and therefore timely.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner, BIGGS BROTHERS SERVICE CO., prays that: (a) the Agency produce the Record; (b) a hearing be held; (c) the Board find the Agency erred in its decision, (d) the Board direct the Agency to approve the application for payment in full, (e) the Board award payment of attorney's fees; and (f) the Board grant Petitioner such other and further relief as it deems meet and just.

BIGGS BROTHERS SERVICE CO.,
Petitioner

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eligible owner or operator.

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 Catherine S. Elston of my staff at 217-785-9351.

Sincerely,



Hernando A. Albarracín, Manager
Leaking Underground Storage Tank Section
Division of Remediation Management
Bureau of Land

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ATTACHMENT

c: Biggs Brothers Service Center
Leaking UST Claims Unit
Cathy Elston

Attachment A
Accounting Deductions

Re: LPC #1634255004 – St. Clair County
Fairmont City / Biggs Brothers Service Center
2540 North Kingshighway
Incident-Claim No.: 990762 -- 64273
Queue Date: March 5, 2014
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. \$12,021.47, deduction for corrective costs which 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.

In accordance with 35 Ill. Adm. Code 734.665, an owner or operator that submits an application for payment must maintain all books, records, documents, and other evidence directly pertinent to the application for payment, including but not limited to all financial information and data used in the preparation or support of applications for payment. All books, records, documents, and other evidence must be maintained in accordance with accepted business practices and appropriate accounting procedures and practices. (Sections 57.6(a) and 57.15 of the Act)

The following information is needed to complete the review of the claim:

1. A breakdown of consulting personnel time requested for payment. Specifically requested are the *Consulting Personnel Costs Form* for the above-referenced claim and the companion *Personnel Weekly Work Sheet* that includes the days and times of day worked for each employee. Both forms are accessible on the Illinois EPA's Leaking UST Program Web page at www.epa.state.il.us/land/lust/forms/budget-forms/forms-1/table-of-contents.html under the Application for Payment Forms.
2. A copy of all employees' time sheets for the period for which consulting personnel time was requested for payment.
3. A copy of all contracts signed by the UST owner or operator for the above-referenced claim.
4. A copy of all contracts and agreements between the consultant and all subcontractors.
5. Documentation that the UST owner or operator paid the applicable deductible. Documentation could include a copy of the canceled check (front and back).
6. Affidavit(s) (attached)—completed, signed, and sealed—for the following subcontractor for

the work completed pursuant to the above-referenced claim:

JK Five Construction, Inc.
Prairie Analytical Systems, Inc.

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AFFIDAVIT

State of Illinois

County of Sangamon

I, the undersigned, _____, being first duly sworn upon my oath, do hereby depose and state as follows:

I am an authorized agent of Prairie Analytical Systems, Inc.

The following activity has been completed at Biggs Brothers Service Center, 2540 North Kingshighway, Fairmont City, Illinois:

Laboratory analysis of nine PNA and BETX samples in addition to one sample each of organic content, specific gravity, particle size and bulk density by persons directly employed by Prairie Analytical Systems, Inc

I have personal knowledge of invoice #1304837 for the sum of \$2,807.37, and it has been paid in full. I further attest that no discounts, price reduction, give backs, or rebates of any kind were or will be issued to any party regarding the payment of this invoice.

I am aware there are significant penalties for submitted false statements or representations to the Illinois EPA, including but not limited to fines, imprisonment, or both as provided in Sections 44 and 57.17 of the Environmental Protection Act [415 ILCS 5/44 and 57.17].

Further affiant sayeth not.

Signature: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me the _____ day of _____, _____

Seal:

(Notary Public)

AFFIDAVIT

State of Illinois

County of Sangamon

I, the undersigned, _____, being first duly sworn upon my oath, do hereby depose and state as follows:

I am an authorized agent of JK-Five Construction, Inc.

The following activity has been completed at Biggs Brothers Service Center, 2540 North Kingshighway, Fairmont City, Illinois:

Environmental drilling services of direct push drilling by persons directly employed by JK-Five Construction, Inc.

I have personal knowledge of invoice #1990 for the sum of \$1,403.96, and it has been paid in full. I further attest that no discounts, price reduction, give backs, or rebates of any kind were or will be issued to any party regarding the payment of this invoice.

I am aware there are significant penalties for submitted false statements or representations to the Illinois EPA, including but not limited to fines, imprisonment, or both as provided in Sections 44 and 57.17 of the Environmental Protection Act [415 ILCS 5/44 and 57.17].

Further affiant sayeth not.

Signature: _____

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(Notary Public)