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ROXANA LANDFILL, INC.	)
Petitioner,	)
v. VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF CASEYVILLE, ILLINOIS; VILLAGE OF CASEYVILLE, ILLINOIS; and CASEYVILLE TRANSFER STATION, L.L.C.	<ul> <li>No. PCB 15-65</li> <li>(Third Party Pollution Control</li> <li>Facility Siting Appeal)</li> </ul>
Respondents.	) ) )
VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT CITY, ILLINOIS,	) )
Petitioner,	)
v. VILLAGE OF CASEYVILLE, ILLINOIS BOARI OF TRUSTEES and CASEYVILLE TRANSFER STATION, L.L.C.	<ul> <li>) No. PCB 15-69</li> <li>) (Third Party Pollution Control</li> <li>) Facility Siting Appeal)</li> <li>) (Consolidated)</li> </ul>
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## **REPLY TO ROXANA LANDFILL, INC.'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER**

NOW COME, Respondents', Village of Caseyville, Illinois and Village Board of the Village of Caseyville, by and through their attorney and for their Reply to Roxana Landfill, Inc.'s Motion for Protective Order, states as follows:

1. Roxana Landfill, Inc. cites Dumke v. City of Chicago, 373 Ill.Dec. 804, 810 (1st Dist. 2013), for the proposition, "Illinois Courts have held that the deliberative process privilege can be waived." First, <u>Dumke</u> did not involve the deliberative process privilege. Rather, Dumke involved an exemption to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act for pre-decisional documents, It is interesting that Roxana Landfill, Inc. cited the Dumke case because even if the Dumke case were applicable, it would support the conclusion that Trustee Davis and Trustee Abernathy could

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not waive the deliberative process privilege. <u>Dumke</u> held that only the head of a public body could waive an exemption to FOIA. *Id.* at 807-08. Applying this rational to the facts of this case, only the president of the board of trustees of the Village of Caseyville, Leonard Black, could waive the deliberative process privilege for the Caseyville Village Board. This rational is sound. If any individual member of a political body could waive the deliberative process privilege, then any lone dissenting member of the political body could stifle the body's ability to conduct a fully and frank deliberation on a matter.

2. <u>Fox Moraine, LLC v. United City of Yorkville</u>, 2011 IL App (2d) 100017, ¶ 73 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dist. 2011), was directly on point and held that comments made by aldermen speak for themselves and do not require further inquiry.

3. The Village Board of the Village of Caseyville joins in the Motion for Protective Order. It is also further anticipated that Trustee Abernathy and Trustee Davis will both individually assert the deliberative process privilege.

Respectfully Submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing instrument was served upon the attorneys of record of all parties to the above cause by enclosing same in an envelope addressed to such attorneys at their business address as disclosed by the pleadings of record herein, with postage fully prepaid, and by depositing said envelope in a U.S. Post Office Mail Box in Belleville, Illinois, on the  $\partial ISF$  day of October, 2014.

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