BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

FLINT HILLS RESOURCES JOLIET, LLC,)	
JOLIE I, ELC,) I	PCB 2016-024
Petitioner,) (Variance -Water)
v.)	
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,)	
Respondent.)	

NOTICE OF FILING

To:	John Therriault, Assistant Clerk	
	Illinois Pollution Control Board	
	James R. Thompson Center	
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Brad Halloran, Hearing Officer Illinois Pollution Control Board 1021 North Grand Avenue East Post Office Box 19274 Springfield, IL 62794

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today filed with the Office of the Pollution Control Board the <u>MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE THE AGENCY'S</u> <u>RECOMMENDATION</u> for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

Respectfully submitted,

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

By: /s/Sara G. Terranova Sara G. Terranova Assistant Counsel Division of Legal Counsel

DATED: October 30, 2015

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MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE THE AGENCY'S RECOMMENDATION

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA" or "Agency"), by and through its attorney, hereby submits its Motion for an Extension of Time to File the Agency's Recommendation with respect to the Variance Petition filed by Flint Hills Resources Joliet, LLC ("Petitioner"). In support thereof, the Illinois EPA states as follows:

1. On July 21, 2015, the Petitioner filed its Variance Petition from the thermal water quality standards recently adopted in R08-09.

2. Pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/37(a), "[T]he Agency shall make a recommendation to the Illinois Pollution Control Board ("Board") as to the disposition of the petition." 415 ILCS 5/37(a). The recommendation must be filed with the Board within 45 days after the filing of the petition. 35. Il Adm. Code 104.216(b).

3. Pursuant to the hearing officer Order issued on August 6, 2015, the Agency was to file its recommendation with the respect to the Variance Petition on September 4, 2015.

4. On August 20, 2015, the Agency filed a Motion for an Extension of Time to File the Agency's Recommendation requesting the Board grant the Agency an additional 60 days from the original September 4, 2015 deadline to file its recommendation with the Board.

5. Pursuant to the hearing officer Order issued on September 3, 2015, the Agency is to file its recommendation with respect to the Variance Petition on November 3, 2015.

6. On July 21, 2015, Midwest Generation, LLC ("Midwest Generation") filed a Variance Petition from the thermal water quality standards recently adopted by the Board in R08-09. On October 7, 2015, pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 106.1120, Midwest Generation submitted a "Conceptual Study Plan to Support Alternative Limits" ("Study Plan") to the Agency for its review. Illinois EPA is currently reviewing the Study Plan to determine what, if any, impact the Midwest Generation discharge will have on downstream point sources, including the Petitioner, located on the Lower Des Plaines River. Thus, the Agency is seeking additional time to make this determination.

7. The Agency has reached out to the Petitioner and they have advised Illinois EPA that they have no objection to the requested extension of time to file the Agency's recommendation. The Petitioner has also indicated that it is willing to file additional waivers of the statutory decision deadline as needed to accommodate the requested extension of time.

8. The requested extension should not prejudice or harm any interested party. WHEREFORE, the Illinois EPA respectfully requests the Illinois Pollution Control Board grant it's Motion for an Extension of Time for the Agency's Recommendation and grant the Agency an additional 180 days from the November 3, 2015 deadline to file its recommendation with the Board. Therefore, the Agency's recommendation would be due on May 2, 2016 (as May 1, 2016 is a Sunday).

Respectfully submitted,

Date: October 30, 2015

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276 By<u>: /s/Sara G. Terranova</u> Sara G. Terranova Assistant Counsel Division of Legal Counsel

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, an attorney, state that I have served the attached the NOTICE OF FILING and MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE THE AGENCY'S RECOMMENDATION for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency upon the person to whom it is directed, by mailing it by first-class mail from Springfield, Illinois, with sufficient postage affixed, to the following persons:

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