BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,)	
Complainant,)	AC 2015-009
V.)	(IEPA No. 275-14-AC)
PONDEROSA LAND TRUST,)	
Respondent.)	

NOTICE OF FILING

To: Ronald E. Osman, Esq. Ronald E. Osman & Assocs., Ltd. 1602 W. Kimmel P.O. Box 939 Marion, Illinois 62959

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on this date I filed with the Clerk of the Pollution Control
Board of the State of Illinois the following instrument(s) entitled STIPULATION OF
SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL OF RESPONDENT'S PETITION FOR REVIEW.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle M. Ryan

Special Assistant Attorney General

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Dated: December 24, 2015

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STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL OF RESPONDENTS' PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

NOW COMES the Complainant, ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

AGENCY ("Illinois EPA"), by and through its attorney, Michelle M. Ryan, and the Respondent

PONDEROSA LAND TRUST ("Respondent"), by and through its attorney, Ronald E. Osman,

pursuant to Sections 31.1 and 42(b)(4-5) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act ("Act"),

415 ILCS 5/31.1 and 42(b)(4-5) (2014), and Section 103.180 of the Illinois Pollution Control

Board's ("Board") Rules and Regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 103.180, the parties hereby enter

into this STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL OF RESPONDENT'S

PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW, and in support hereof, the parties respectfully

state as follows:

- 1. On July 24, 2014, Garrison Gross and Phillip Pierce-Savoie, Environmental Protection Specialists for the Illinois EPA's Marion Regional Office, conducted an inspection of a facility owned and operated by the Respondent. The facility is located at 305½ Carbon, Marion, Williamson County, Illinois, and is designated with Site Code No. 1990555227.
- 2. On or about August 25, 2014, the Illinois EPA served the Respondent with Administrative Citation No. 275-14-AC, alleging therein that the Respondent had caused or

allowed the following activities to occur at the facility on April 17, 2014, in a manner which resulted in the following occurrences: (1) open dumping resulting in litter, a violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(1); (2) open dumping resulting in proliferation of disease vectors, a violation of 415 ILCS5/21(p)(5); and (3) accumulation of water in used tires, a violation of 415 ILCS 5/55(k)(1).

- On or about September 15, 2014, Respondent filed a Petition for Review contesting the administrative citation.
- 4. In an effort to resolve this matter without the need for a hearing, the parties have engaged in settlement negotiations and have reached this Agreement and hereby tender it to the Board for approval, the terms and conditions of which are as follows:
 - a. Respondent admits to open dumping resulting in litter at the facility (in violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(1)) (2014)) and agrees to pay the statutory civil penalty of \$1,500.00 for this violation pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/42(b)(4-5) (2014).
 - Respondent agrees to pay the statutory civil penalty within 30 days from the date of the Board's order accepting this stipulation.
 - c. Respondent agrees to diligently comply with, and shall cease and desist from further violation of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/1 et seq. (2014), and the Board's rules and regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code Subtitles A through H.
 - d. The violations observed during the July 24, 2014 inspection are not continuing at this time.
 - e. The Illinois EPA agrees not to refer the violations that are the subject of this administrative citation to the Office of

the Illinois Attorney General or any other prosecuting authority for the initiation of a civil enforcement action.

f. Respondents' Petition for Review filed with the Board on or about September 15, 2014, shall be dismissed.

WHEREFORE, the parties request that the Board accept this Agreement and issue an order consistent with its terms and conditions.

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, Complainant,

Michelle M. Ryan

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-AND-

PONDEROSA LAND TRUST, Respondent,

BY: KoneldEDA

DATE: 12/1/2015

DATE: 12/24/15

PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did on the 24th day of December, 2015, send by U.S. Mail 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 STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL OF RESPONDENT'S PETITION FOR REVIEW

To: Ronald E. Osman, Esq.
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and the original of the same foregoing instrument via electronic filing on the same date

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