BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

MIDWEST GENERATION LLC,)	
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v.)	
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ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION)	
AGENCY,)	

Respondent.

NOTICE OF FILING

To: John Therriault, Assistant Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board James R. Thompson Center 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500 Chicago, Illinois 60601 Brad Halloran, Hearing Officer Illinois Pollution Control Board James R. Thompson Center 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500 Chicago, Illinois 60601

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

Respectfully submitted,

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

By: /s/ Stefanie Diers
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DATED: March 1, 2016

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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 the Petitioner. In support thereof, the Illinois EPA states as follows:

- 1. On July 21, 2015, the Petitioner filed its Variance Petition from the temperature water quality standards recently adopted in R08-09.
- 2. Pursuant to the hearing officer Order issued on August 6, 2015, the Agency was to file its recommendation with respect to the variance petition on September 4, 2015.
- 3. On August 31, 2015, the Agency filed an extension of time to file its recommendation, therefore, making its recommendation due on December 3, 2015.
- 4. On September 1, 2015, the Board granted the extension of time and granted the Agency until December 3, 2015 to file its recommendation.

- 5. On December 3, 2015, the Agency again filed for an extension of time to file its recommendation. The request was granted, thereby making the Agency's recommendation due by March 1, 2016.
- 6. Illinois EPA is still reviewing the variance petition and is currently in discussions with the Petitioner and USEPA. Illinois EPA would like to complete those discussions before filing a recommendation in this matter.
- 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.
- 8. The requested extension should not prejudice or harm any interested party.
- 9. The Petitioner has already filed an extension of decision deadline until August 4, 2016 and has indicated willingness to file a waiver of the Board's decision deadline to accommodate this extension.
- 10. Therefore, the Agency is asking that its Motion for Extension Time to file a recommendation in this matter be granted until June 1, 2016.

WHEREFORE, the Illinois EPA respectfully requests the Illinois Pollution Control Board grant its Motion for an Extension of Time to file the Agency's recommendation and grant the Agency until June 1, 2016 to file its recommendation with the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/Stefanie N. Diers
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Date: March 1, 2016

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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 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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