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STATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board

RE: Public comment in Support of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Filing to Revise the Multi-Pollutant Standards, Docket Number 18-20

Dear Honorable Members of the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

As Senator for the 58<sup>th</sup> District, which encompasses the Baldwin Plant, I am writing you to share my support for the Illinois EPA's proposed revision to the state Multi-Pollutant Standards (MPS), currently pending before the Illinois Pollution Control Board. The rule represents a win-win for citizens of Illinois, strengthening both the state environmental standards and the economics of a vital downstate Illinois economic resource. I ask you to approve the proposed revision.

Clear economic and environmental benefits exist with revision of this rule. This proposal streamlines regulations and improves the environment, which benefits Illinois residents and business. Additionally, the Baldwin Plant is a significant contributor to the local and State economy. This facility serves as a vital economic engine for the surrounding communities and Randolph County

I respectfully ask the Board to support the proposed rule change.

Sincerely,

Senator Paul Schimpf

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