# BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

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Complainant,	)
	) AC 2018-010
VS.	)
	) (IEPA No. 32-18-AC)
DG PARTNERS LLC, et al.,	)
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#### NOTICE OF FILING

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on this date I electronically filed with the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board of the State of Illinois the following on behalf of DG Partners LLC and Cissell-Mueller Construction, Inc., a copy of which is herewith served on you: Entry of Appearance and Petition for Review of Administrative Citation.

Respectfully Submitted,

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#### PETITION FOR REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

COME NOW Respondents Cissell-Mueller Construction, Inc., and DG Partners LLC ("Respondents") by and through their undersigned attorneys, and hereby petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board for a review of the above-cited Administrative Citation, Affidavit, and Open Dump Inspection Checklist ("Administrative Citation") issued by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("IEPA") pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/31.1. Respondents assert that the Administrative Citation was improperly issued against Respondents for the reasons set forth herein:

- On or about March 15, 2018, the IEPA filed its Administrative Citation alleging violations of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act at a property located southwest of the intersection of N. Co. Rd. 1700 and E. Co. Rd. 650, Carthage, Hancock County, Illinois ("the Koltzenburg Property").
- The Inspection Report attached to the Administrative Citation asserts that the alleged violations arose out of solid waste from demolition work at the former Hill-Dodge Bank in Warsaw, Illinois ("the Project Site").

- Respondent DG Properties LLC is the owner of the Project Site and Respondent
   Cissell-Mueller Construction, Inc. is the general contractor for the Project Site.
- Respondents do not own, control, or operate business on the Koltzenburg
   Property.
- Prior to receiving the Administrative Citation, Respondents had no knowledge of the alleged violations at the Koltzenburg Property.
- 6. Respondent Cissell-Mueller Construction, Inc. hired Respondent K&N Excavating to perform demolition work at the Project Site pursuant to a Subcontract Agreement ("the Subcontract Agreement").
- 7. The Subcontract Agreement specifically requires K&N Excavating to comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations applicable to the demolition work at the Project Site.
- Respondents fully expected and required K&N Excavating to comply with the
   Illinois Environmental Protection Act in connection with the demolition work at the Project Site.
- 9. Upon notice that K&N Excavating had allegedly violated the Illinois Environmental Protection Act in connection with its demolition work at the Property, Cissell-Mueller Construction, Inc. notified K&N Excavating of its breach of the Subcontract Agreement.
- 10. The alleged violations were the result of uncontrollable circumstances, as demonstrated by the foregoing facts.
- 11. Respondents did not intentionally cause or allow the alleged violations, as demonstrated by the foregoing facts.

Respondents have demanded that K&N Excavation correct the alleged violations

alleged in the Administrative Citation and stand ready to cooperate with all required inspections

and remediation requirements.

13. Respondents have never been subject to a prior administrative citation.

14. The imposition of the \$6,000.00 penalty as proposed would result in an arbitrary

or unreasonable financial hardship for Respondents in light of the foregoing facts.

WHEREFORE, Respondents DG Partners LLC and Cissell-Mueller Construction, Inc.

request that the Administrative Citation filed herein be dismissed, or, alternatively, a hearing

before the Illinois Pollution Control Board in order to contest the Administrative Citation, and

such other further relief as the Board deems proper.

Respectfully Submitted,

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