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BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOAR
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CITY OF FREEPORT	STATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board	
Petitioner,))) Case No. PCB 98-108	
vs.		
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY	Other Info: Permit Appeal-Land))	
Respondent.	,	

RESPONSE TO HEARING OFFICER ORDER OF JULY 17, 2007

NOW COMES the undersigned counsel of record for the Petitioner in the above-referenced matter, and, in response to Hearing Officer Carol Webb's Order of July 17, 2007, respectfully responds as follows:

- 1. Petitioner acknowledges that delays in responses in this matter have occurred from time to time in this matter, caused in part by transitions in administration and changes in personnel. More recently, unavailability during the summer months of certain personnel assisting the City who are familiar with this case, are coupled with a death within the family of the undersigned counsel for the Petitioner have caused certain delays.
- 2. Accordingly, the undersigned counsel of record for the Petitioner respectfully requests that this matter be continued for 30 days. Petitioner has advised its counsel that it will have a definitive position at that point in time as to whether this appeal should be dismissed.

Respectfully Submitted,

On behalf of the City of Freeport

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The undersigned, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-109 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, hereby under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, certifies that on August 10, 2007, a copy of the foregoing was served upon:

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Via facsimile and by depositing a copy thereof, enclosed in an envelope in the United States Mail at Chicago, Illinois, proper postage prepaid, before the hour of 5:00 P.M., addressed as above.

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