#### BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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## **NOTICE OF FILING**

TO: SEE ATTACHED SERVICE LIST

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on September 16, 2009, we electronically filed with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, **Complainant's Response to Respondent's Motion to Strike**, a copy of which is attached hereto and hereby served upon you.

Dated: September 16, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE

/s/ Michelle M. LaGrotta
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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Michelle M. LaGrotta, the undersigned certify that on September 16, 2009, I have served the attached <u>RESPONSE TO HAMMAN FARMS' MOTION TO STRIKE</u> **YORKVILLE'S ANSWER TO AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO COUNT IV**, upon:

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/s/ Michelle M. LaGrotta\_\_\_\_\_

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UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE,	)
A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION,	)
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Complainant,	)
	) PCB No. 08-96
v.	) (Enforcement- Land, Air, Water)
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HAMMAN FARMS,	)
	)
Respondents.	)

# COMPLAINANT'S RESPONSE TO RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO STRIKE YORKVILLE'S ANSWER TO HAMMAN FARMS AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO COUNT IV

NOW COMES the Complainant, UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE, by and through its attorneys, GARDINER KOCH WEISBERG & WRONA, and for its RESPONSE TO RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO STRIKE YORKVILLE'S ANSWERS TO AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO COUNT IV, it states as follows:

1. Hamman Farms' Motion to Strike Yorkville's Answer to Hamman Farms' Affirmative Defense to Count IV was unnecessary and intended solely to harass and raise Yorkville's litigation cost. Hamman Farms completely disregards the last sentence of each of the United City of Yorkville's Answers, which states, respectively, "Complainant denies Affirmative Defense Number 1" and "Complainant denies Affirmative Defense Number 2." As such, Yorkville's Answer complies with the rules governing answers set forth in 35 Ill. Adm. Code §103.204(d). See also, 735 ILCS 2/5-610(a) (stating, "Every answer and subsequent pleading shall contain an explicit admission or denial of each allegation of the pleading to which it relates.") A cursory reading of these Answers shows that Yorkville denied each of Hamman Farms' Affirmative

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Defenses. While the form of the denial was not to Hamman Farms liking,

Yorkville has complied with the Board's requirements. Hamman Farms' motion

is merely another attempt by Hamman Farms to delay litigation and drive up

costs.

WHEREFORE, United City of Yorkville respectfully requests that the Illinois Pollution

Control Board deny Hamman Farms' Motion to Strike Yorkville's Answer to Affirmative

Defenses Count IV and grant such other relief as the Board deems just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE

By: \_/s/ Michelle M. LaGrotta \_\_\_\_ One of Its Attorneys

Dated: September 16, 2009

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