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**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

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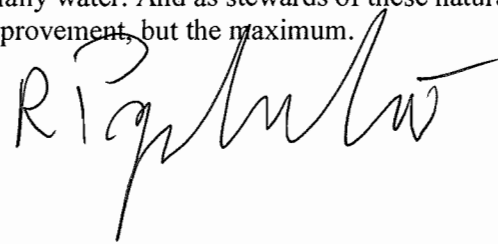
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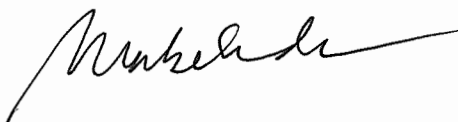
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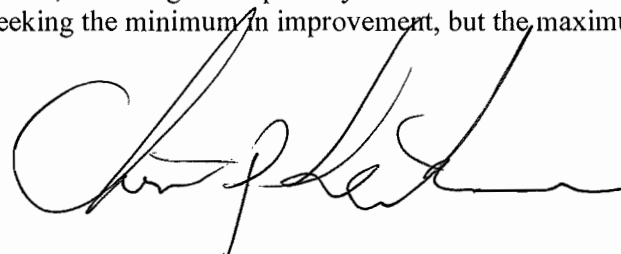
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**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

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*Erica Gonzalez*

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**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

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**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

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**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

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**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

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**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

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Richard J Stuckey  
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Thank you,

*Cassandra Vasquez*

October 23, 2009

John Therriault, Assistant Clerk  
Illinois Pollution Control Board  
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**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

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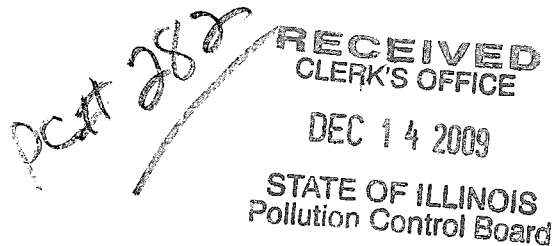
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*Miyina Vazquez*

Oct 13, 2009

John Therriault, Assistant Clerk  
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Chicago, Illinois 60601



**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

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On behalf of David A. Cornell, I am writing to express my support for the recommended water quality standard improvements proposed by the Illinois EPA for the Chicago Area Waterways (CAWS) and Lower Des Plaines River as rule making R08-009.

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**RE: Rule Making R08-009**

Dear Illinois Pollution Control Board:

On behalf of Martin Carrillo, I am writing to express my support for the recommended water quality standard improvements proposed by the Illinois EPA for the Chicago Area Waterways (CAWS) and Lower Des Plaines River as rule making R08-009.

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