

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

WRB Refining LLC)
(Property Identification Number) PCB 012-
19-1-08-34-00-008-004) (Tax Certification)
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NOTICE

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Illinois Pollution Control Board
James R. Thompson Center
100 West Randolph Street, Suite. 11-500
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Michael Kemp
404 Phillips Building
Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74004

Steve Santarelli
Illinois Department of Revenue
101 West Jefferson
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Springfield, Illinois 62794

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board an APPEARANCE AND THE RECOMMENDATION of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY

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DATED: February 22, 2012

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A P P E A R A N C E

The undersigned, as one of its attorneys, hereby enters an APPEARANCE on behalf of Respondent, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

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RECOMMENDATION

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (“Illinois EPA”) hereby files its Recommendation pursuant to Section 125.204 of the regulations of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.204.

1. On June 29, 2011, the Illinois EPA received a request from WRB Refining LLC (log number TC-10-19, Exhibit A) for an Illinois EPA recommendation regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.204.
2. The applicant’s address is: WRB Refining LLC
900 S. Central Ave
Roxanna, Illinois 62084
3. The proposed water pollution control facilities in this request are located at Section 34 SE ¼, T5N, R9W in Madison County, at the above street address and consist of the following:

Installation of a new process sewer system including a sump, pumps and new sewer line to the waste water treatment plant.

These pollution control facilities have the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing water pollution, and are further described in Exhibit A. .
4. Section 11-10 of the Property Tax Code, 35 ILCS 200/11-10 (2010), defines “pollution control facilities” as:

“any system, method, construction, device or appliance appurtenant thereto or any portion of any building or equipment, that is designed, constructed, installed or operated for the primary purpose of: (a) eliminating, preventing, or reducing air or water pollution ...or (b) treating, pretreating, modifying or disposing of any potential solid, liquid or

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gaseous pollutant which if released without treatment, pretreatment modification or disposal might be harmful, detrimental or offensive to human, plant or animal life, or to property.”

5. Pollution control facilities are entitled to preferential tax treatment, 35 ILCS 200/11-5.

6. Based on the information in the application and the purpose of the facilities, it is the Illinois EPA’s engineering judgment that the described facilities may be considered “pollution control facilities,” pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200(a), with the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing water pollution, or as otherwise provided in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200, and are eligible for tax certification from the Board.

WHEREFORE, the Illinois EPA recommends that the Board issue the

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requested tax certification.

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL
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PAT QUINN, GOVERNOR

Memorandum

To: Connie Tonsor, Division of Legal Counsel

From: Alan Keller, Manager, Permit Section 

Date: November 21, 2011

Re: WRB Refining LLC
Recommendation of Tax Certification
Log # TC-19-11
Property Identification # 19-1-08-34-00-008-004

The Bureau of Water received a request on June 29, 2011 from WRB Refining LLC for an Illinois EPA recommendation regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities pursuant to 35 Il. Adm. Code 125.204. We offer the following recommendation.

The water pollution control facilities in this request include the following:

WRB Refining LLC
404 Phillips Building
Bartlesville, OK 74004

Facility location: 900 S. Central Avenue in Roxana, Illinois.

Installation of a new process sewer system including a sump, pumps and new sewer line to the waste water treatment plant.

These facilities are further described in the enclosed applications and supporting documents.

Based on the information included in this submittal, it is our engineering judgment that the above proposed facilities may be considered "Pollution Control Facilities" under 35 IAC 125.200(a), with the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing water pollution, or as otherwise provided in this section, and therefore eligible for tax certification from the Illinois Pollution Control Board. The Bureau of Water therefore recommends that the Board issue the requested tax certification for these facilities.

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If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Jaime Rabins at 217/782-0610.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Subject: WRB Refining LLC

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Reviewed By: Jaime Rabins

Date: July 12, 2011

Applicant: WRB Refining LLC
404 Phillips Building
Bartlesville, OK 74004

Facility location: 900 S. Central Avenue in Roxana, Illinois.

On June 29, 2011 the Agency received a request to make a recommendation regarding the tax certification for the following:

Installation of a new process sewer system including a sump, pumps and new sewer line to the waste water treatment plant.

The pollution control facility's primary purpose is to prevent and eliminate pollutants which if not treated might be harmful, detrimental or offensive to human, plant or animal life, or to property as defined in 35 IAC 125.200(a).

Action: Recommend for consideration of Pollution Control Facilities.

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION (PROPERTY TAX TREATMENT)
 POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY
 AIR WATER

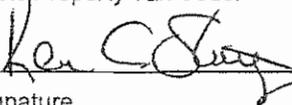
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 P. O. Box 19276, Springfield, IL 62794-9276

This Agency is authorized to request this information under Illinois Revised Statutes, 1979, Chapter, 120, Section 502a-5. Disclosure of this information is voluntary. However, failure to comply could prevent your application from being processed or could result in denial of your application for certification.

FOR AGENCY USE

File No.	Date Received	Certification No.	Date	
Sec. A APPLICANT	Company Name WRB Refining LLC			
	Person Authorized to Receive Certification Michael Kemp		Person to Contact for Additional Details Jay Rankin	
	Street Address 404 Phillips Building		Street Address 900 S. Central Ave., P.O. Box 76	
	Municipality, State & Zip Code Bartlesville, OK 74004		Municipality, State & Zip Code Roxana, IL 62084	
	Telephone Number (918) 661-9055		Telephone Number (618) 255-2737	
	Location of Facility Quarter Section 34 SE 1/4		Township 5 N	Range 9 W
	Street Address 900 S. Central Ave.		County Madison	Township Wood River
	Property Identification Number		Parcel Number 19-1-08-34-00-000-008.004	
	Sec. B MANUFACTURING OPERATIONS	Nature of Operations Conducted at the Above Location Petroleum Refining		
Water Pollution Control Construction Permit No. 2003-IC-42		Date Issued 09/22/03		
NPDES PERMIT No. IL0000205		Date Issued 04/14/04	Expiration Date 04/14/09	
Air Pollution Control Construction Permit No.		Date Issued		
Air Pollution Control Operating Permit No. 95120306		Date Issued 11/07/03		
Sec. C MANUFACTURING PROCESS	Describe Unit Process See Hartford Integration Water Pollution Prevention Projects attachment.			
	Materials Used in Process Crude oil, water, steam, fuel gas, Hydrogen			
Sec. D POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY DESCRIPTION	Describe Pollution Abatement Control Facility See Hartford Integration Water Pollution Prevention Projects attachment.			

POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY - CONTAMINANT ACCOUNTING DATA	Sec. E (1) Nature of Contaminants or Pollutants		
		Material Retained, Captured or Recovered	
		DESCRIPTION	DISPOSAL OR USE
		liquid hydrocarbons	C3 + hydrocarbons Recovered
		Hydrogen sulfide	Sulfur Sold as product
		Ammonia (NH3)	Nitrogen Gas Released to atmosphere
		(2) Point(s) of Waste Water Discharge Mississippi River per NPDES Permit	
		Plans and Specifications Attached	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
		(3) Are contaminants (or residues) collected by the control facility?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	(4) Date installation completed 07/31/04 status of installation on date of application 100%		
	(5) a. TOTAL INSTALLED COST	\$ 5,769,000.00	
	b. NET SALVAGE VALUE IF CONSIDERED REAL PROPERTY:	\$ 0.00	
	c. PRODUCTIVE GROSS ANNUAL INCOME OF CONTROL FACILITY:	\$ 0.00	
	d. PRODUCTIVE NET ANNUAL INCOME OF CONTROL FACILITY:	\$ 0.00	
	e. PERCENTAGE CONTROL FACILITY BEARS TO WHOLE FACILITY VALUE:	% To Be Determined	

SIGNATURE	Sec. F The following information is submitted in accordance with the Illinois Property Tax Code, as amended, and to the best of my knowledge, is true and correct. The facilities claimed herein are "pollution control facilities" as defined in Section 11-10 of the Illinois Property Tax Code.	
	 Signature	DIRECTOR - PTRRC Title

INSTRUCTIONS	INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPILING AND FILING APPLICATION		
	General: Separate applications must be completed for each control facility claimed. Do not mix types (water and air). Where both air and water operations are related, file two applications. If attachments are needed, record them consecutively on an index sheet.		
	Sec. A	Information refers to applicant as listed in the tax records and the person to be contacted for further details or for inspection of facilities. Define facility location by street address or legal description. A plat map location is required for facilities located outside of municipal boundaries. The property identification number is required.	
	Sec. B	Self-explanatory. Submit copies of all permits issued by local pollution control agencies. (e.g. MSD Construction Permit)	
	Sec. C	Refers to manufacturing processes or materials on which pollution control facility is used.	
	Sec. D	Narrative description of the pollution control facility, indicating that its primary purpose is to eliminate, prevent or reduce pollution. State the type of control facility. State permit number, date, and agency issuing permit. A narrative description and a process flow diagram describing the pollution control facility. Include a listing of each major piece of equipment included in the claimed fair cash value for real property. Include an average analysis of the influent and effluent of the control facility stating the collection efficiency.	
	Sec. E	List air contaminants, or water pollution substances released as effluents to the manufacturing processes. List also the final disposal of any contaminants removed from the manufacturing processes. Item (1) - Refers to pollutants and contaminants removed from the process by the pollution control facility. Item (2) - Refers to water pollution but can apply to water-carried wastes from air pollution control facilities. Submit drawings, which clearly show (a) Point(s) of discharge to receiving stream, and (b) Sewers and process piping to and from the control facility. Item (3) - If the collected contaminants are disposed of other than as wastes, state the disposition of the materials, and the value in dollars reclaimed by sale or reuse of the collected substances. State the cost of reclamation and related expense. Item (4) - State the date which the pollution control facility was first placed in service and operated. If not, explain. Item (5) - This information is essential to the certification and assessment actions. This accounting data must be completed to activate project review prior to certification by this Agency.	
	Sec. F	Self-explanatory. Signature must be a corporate authorized signature.	
	Submit to:	Attention:	Attention:
	Illinois EPA P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, IL 62794-9276	Al Keller Permit Section Division of Water Pollution Control	Donald E. Sutton Permit Section Division of Air Pollution Control

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION (PROPERTY TAX TREATMENT)
POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY
WRB – Wood River Refinery**

Project: Hartford Integration Water Pollution Prevention Projects

Section C – Manufacturing Process

Process Description:

Portions of the idled Clark/Premcor Hartford Refinery including the Crude/Vacuum Unit, Coker, and Gas Treating Units were purchased by ConocoPhillips (COP) and integrated into the Wood River Refinery Complex (WRR).

The Crude Unit separates crude oil into intermediate products by boiling range using a distillation column. Raw crude is heated then mixed with water to remove salt. The salt water is separated from the crude and sent to the Wood River Refinery Waste Water Treating Plant for treatment. The desalted crude is further heated and sent to a distillation column. Intermediate products from the crude column are gas, naphtha, kerosene, diesel, gas oil, and atmospheric resid. Any gas that cannot be recovered is sent to the flare for safe disposal. The atmospheric resid is further heated and sent to a distillation column that is run under a vacuum where more gas oil is separated from the atmospheric resid. The Vacuum tower bottoms (VTB) are then sent to the Coker.

In the Coker the VTB is further heated and sprayed into one of three large drums where time and temperature cause the resid to crack into a full range of intermediate products that are separated by distillation and sent to other units for further processing. Coking is a semi batch process in which one drum is in service, one drum is quenched and the coke drilled out, and one drum is being prepared to go into service. During part of the quench step the drum vapors that go to the blowdown system are cooled to condense some of the hydrocarbons and the remaining vapors go to the flare system for safe disposal.

The refinery units at the Hartford Refinery are equipped with underground process sewers which collect various low volume water and oily water streams.

Section D – Pollution Control Facility Description

The sole purpose of this project was to prevent ground and water pollution due to leaks in the Hartford Refinery underground process sewers. The purpose of the process sewer system is to collect various low volume water and oily water streams and transfer the material to the Wood River Refinery Waste Water Treating Plant for treatment. After ConocoPhillips (COP) purchased the Hartford Refinery equipment for integration into the Wood River Refinery Complex, COP determined that portions of the Hartford Refinery process sewer system had to be replaced and upgraded to prevent ground and water pollution.

This capital project installed a new process sewer system to replace and improve the old system that failed integrity testing. The new system included a sump and pumps for the process sewers and a new line to the (WRR) Waste Water Treating Plant (WWTP) since the existing Hartford WWTP belonged to Valero, and was no longer permitted for refinery waste treatment.

In summary, the sole purpose of this project was to prevent ground and water pollution due to leaks in the Hartford Refinery underground process sewers.

