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STATE OF ILLINOIS

Pollution Control Board

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November 29, 2012

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

Re: <u>Illinois Environmental Protection Agency v. IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks, LLC</u> IEPA File No. 275-12-AC; 0990808157—LaSalle County

Dear Mr. Therriault:

Enclosed for filing with the Illinois Pollution Control Board, please find the original and nine true and correct copies of the Administrative Citation Package, consisting of the Administrative Citation, the inspector's Affidavit, and the inspector's Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Open Dump Inspection Checklist, issued to the above-referenced respondent(s).

On this date, a copy of the Administrative Citation Package was sent to the Respondent(s) via Certified Mail. As soon as I receive the return receipt, I will promptly file a copy with you, so that the Illinois Pollution Control Board may calculate the thirty-five (35) day appeal period for purposes of entering a default judgment in the event the Respondent(s) fails or elects not to file a petition for review contesting the Administrative Citation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number above. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely. Michelle M. Ryan

Assistant Counsel

Enclosures

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,))
Complainant,)
v.)
IL VALLEY URBAN LUMBERJACKS, LLC,)
Respondent.)

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(IEPA No. 275-12-AC)

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NOTICE OF FILING

To: Sheila Bray, Registered Agent IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks, LLC 2497 E. 1251 Road Ottawa, IL 61350

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on this date I mailed for filing with the Clerk of the Pollution

Control Board of the State of Illinois the following instrument(s) entitled ADMINISTRATIVE

CITATION, AFFIDAVIT, and OPEN DUMP INSPECTION CHECKLIST.

Respectfully submitted, Michelle M. Ryan

Assistant Counsel

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276 (217) 782-5544

Dated: November 29, 2012

THIS FILING SUBMITTED ON RECYCLED PAPER

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,

Complainant,

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IL VALLEY URBAN LUMBERJACKS, LLC,

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(IEPA No. 275-12-AC)

Respondent.

JURISDICTION

This Administrative Citation is issued pursuant to the authority vested in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency by Section 31.1 of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1 (2010).

FACTS

That IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks, LLC is the property owner and operator 1. ("Respondent") of a facility located at 1538 N 2725 Road, Ottawa, LaSalle County, Illinois. The property is commonly known to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency as Ottawa/IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks.

2. That said facility is an open dump operating without an Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Operating Permit and is designated with Site Code No. 0990808157.

3. That Respondent has owned and operated said facility at all times pertinent hereto.

That on October 12, 2012, Donna Shehane of the Illinois Environmental Protection 4. Agency's ("Illinois EPA") Rockford Regional Office inspected the above-described facility. A copy of her inspection report setting forth the results of said inspection is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

5. That on <u>11-29-12</u>, Illinois EPA sent this Administrative Citation via Certified Mail No. <u>7010 2780 000 2 1167 5171</u>. <u>VIOLATIONS</u>

Based upon direct observations made by Donna Shehane during the course of her October 12, 2012 inspection of the above-named facility, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has determined that Respondent has violated the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (hereinafter, the "Act") as follows:

 That Respondent caused or allowed water to accumulate in used or waste tires, a violation of Section 55(k)(1) of the Act, 415 ILCS 55(k)(1) (2010).

CIVIL PENALTY

Pursuant to Section 42(b)(4-5) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/42(b)(4-5) (2010), Respondent is subject to a civil penalty of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) for each of the violations identified above, for a total of <u>One Thousand Five Hundred (\$1,500.00)</u>. If Respondent elects not to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board, the statutory civil penalty specified above shall be due and payable no later than <u>December 30, 2012</u>, unless otherwise provided by order of the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

If Respondent elects to contest this Administrative Citation by petitioning the Illinois Pollution Control Board in accordance with Section 31.1 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1 (2010), and if the Illinois Pollution Control Board issues a finding of violation as alleged herein, after an adjudicatory hearing, Respondent shall be assessed the associated hearing costs incurred by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Those hearing costs shall be assessed in addition to the One Thousand Five Hundred Dollar (\$1,500.00) statutory civil penalty for each violation. Pursuant to Section 31.1(d)(1) of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31.1(d)(1) (2010), if Respondent fails to petition or elects not to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board for review of this Administrative Citation within thirty-five (35) days of the date of service, the Illinois Pollution Control Board shall adopt a final order, which shall include this Administrative Citation and findings of violation as alleged herein, and shall impose the statutory civil penalty specified above.

When payment is made, Respondent's check shall be made payable to the Illinois Environmental Protection Trust Fund and mailed to the attention of Fiscal Services, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276. Along with payment, Respondent shall complete and return the enclosed Remittance Form to ensure proper documentation of payment.

If any civil penalty and/or hearing costs are not paid within the time prescribed by order of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, interest on said penalty and/or hearing costs shall be assessed against the Respondent from the date payment is due up to and including the date that payment is received. The Office of the Illinois Attorney General may be requested to initiate proceedings against Respondent in Circuit Court to collect said penalty and/or hearing costs, plus any interest accrued.

PROCEDURE FOR CONTESTING THIS ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

Respondent has the right to contest this Administrative Citation pursuant to and in accordance with Section 31.1 of the Act, 415 ILCS 5/31/1 (2010). If Respondent elects to contest this Administrative Citation, then Respondent shall file a signed Petition for Review, including a Notice of Filing, Certificate of Service, and Notice of Appearance, with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, State of Illinois Center, 100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500, Chicago, Illinois 60601. A copy of said Petition for Review shall be filed with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Division of Legal Counsel at 1021 North Grand Avenue East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276. Section 31.1 of the Act provides that any Petition for Review shall be filed within thirty-five (35) days of the date of service of this Administrative Citation or the Illinois Pollution Control Board shall enter a default judgment against the Respondent.

Date:

11/24/2012

John J. Kim, Interim Director Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Prepared by:

Susan E. Konzelmann, Legal Assistant Division of Legal Counsel Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276 (217) 782-5544

REMITTANCE FORM

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,

Complainant,

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IL VALLEY URBAN LUMBERJACKS, LLC,

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(IEPA No. 275-12-AC)

Respondent.

FACILITY: Ottawa/IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks

SITE CODE NO.: 0990808157

COUNTY: LaSalle

CIVIL PENALTY: \$1,500.00

DATE OF INSPECTION: October 12, 2012

DATE REMITTED:

SS/FEIN NUMBER:

SIGNATURE:

<u>NOTE</u>

Please enter the date of your remittance, your Social Security number (SS) if an individual or Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) if a corporation, and sign this Remittance Form. Be sure your check is enclosed and mail, along with Remittance Form, to Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Attn.: Fiscal Services, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276.

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AFFIDAVIT

IN THE MATTER OF:) Ì **IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks**) IEPA DOCKET NO.)) Respondent)

Affiant, Donna Shehane, being first duly sworn, voluntarily deposes and states as follows:

- 1. Affiant is a field inspector employed by the Land Pollution Control Division of the Environmental Protection Agency and has been so employed at all times pertinent hereto.
- 2. On October 12, 2012 between 12:15 pm and 12:30 pm, Affiant conducted an inspection of the IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks located in LaSalle County, Illinois, Said site has been assigned site code number BOL# 0990808157 by the Agency.
- 3. Affiant inspected said site by an on-site inspection, which included walking and photographing the site.
- 4. As a result of the activities referred to in Paragraph 3 above, Affiant completed the inspection Report form attached hereto and made a part hereof, which, to the best of Affiant's knowledge and belief, is an accurate representation of Affiant's observations and factual conclusions with respect to said facility.

Donna Shehane EPS III

Subscribed and Sworn to Before Me this 30th day of (Ictober , 2012

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	llinois Environmental	CLERK'S OFFICE
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	Protection Agency	STATE OF ILLINOIS
	Used Tire Storage Exempt Checklist	Pollution Control Boan
Note: This checklist is to used tires stored dry.	be used for retail sites that have 250 or tess used tires outside, or fewer than 130	0 recyclable tires, 1300 tire carcasses and 1300
County:	LaSalle BOL ID # 0990808157	Region Region 1 - Rockford
Facility Name:	IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks	
Facility Address:	1538 N 2725 Road	
City:	Ottawa State: IL Zip: 61350	Phone: 888-876-0003
Date:	Oct 12, 2012 Start Time 12:15 pm	End Time 12:30 pm
Inspector(s):	Shehane	Previous Inspection Date: Jun 6, 2012
Weather:	53 ° F ENE winds @ 7 mph; clear skies	No. of Photos Taken: 7
Interviewed:		No. of Samples Taken:
Waste Tire Hauler Used:	Ligori Auto Wrecking	Complaint #:
Estimated Number	er of Tires at this Facility: 31	Hauler Reg. No.: T8946
Responsible Par	ty Info	

	IL Valley Urban Lumberjac		·····		
	1538 N 2725 Road			· · · · ·	
Çity:	Ottawa	State: IL	Zip Code: 61350		
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ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT REQUIREMENTS

21(k)	Failure or refusal to pay any fee imposed under the Act. Note: Cite this violation if violation of 55.8(a)(i) or 55.9 is cited.	
55(a)(3)	Except at a tire storage site that contains more than 50 used tires, cause or allow the storage of used tires unless the tires are altered, reprocessed, converted, covered or otherwise prevented from accumulating water	
55(b-1)	No person shall knowingly mix any used or waste tire, either whole or cut, with municipal waste.	
55(c)	Failure to file the required notification with the Agency by 1/1/1990 or within 30 days of commencement of storing used tires. Note: Do not mark if site always maintains 50 or less used tires.).	
55(e)	Cause or allow the storage, disposal, treatment or processing of any used or waste tire in violations of any regulation or standard adopted by the Board	
55(h)	Cause or allow the combustion of any used or waste tire in an enclosed devise unless a permit has been issued by the Agency.	
55.8(a)	Any person selling tires at retail or offering tires for retail sale in this state shall:	
(1)	collect from retail customers a fee of \$2.00 (plus \$.50) per tire sold to be paid to the IL Dept. of Revenue.	
(2)	accept for recycling used tires from customers, at the point of transfer, in a quantity equal to the number of new tires purchased.	
(3)	post in a conspicuous place a written notice at least 8.5 X 11 inches in size that includes the universal recycling symbol and the following statements: "DO NOT put used tires in the trash." and "State law requires us to accept used tires for recycling, in exchange for new tires purchased.".	
55.8(b)	A person who accepts used tires for recycling under 55.8(a) shall not allow the tires to accumulate for periods of more than 90 days.	
55.9	Retailers shall collect the fee from purchaser by adding the fee to the selling price of the tire. The fee imposed shall be stated as a distinct item separate and apart from the selling price.	
55.10	Failure to file a quarterly ST-8 tax return with the IL Dept. of Revenue.	

TIRE TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS

55(f)	Arrange for the transportation of used or waste tires away from the site of generation with a person known to openly dump such tires.		
55(g)	5(g) Engage in any operation as a used tire transporter except in compliance with Board regulations		
848.601(a)	 No person shall transport more than 20 used tires in a vehicle unless the following requirements are met: the owner or operator has registered the vehicle with the Agency in accordance with Subpart F, received approval of such registration from the Agency, and such registration is current, valid and in effect the owner or operator displays a placard on the vehicle, issued by the Agency following registration, in accordance with the requirements of Subpart F. 		
848.801(b)	No person shall provide, deliver, or transport used tires to a tire transporter for transport unless the transporter's vehicle displays a placard issued by the Agency under this Subpart identifying the transporter as a registered tire transporter.		

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848.606(a)	Upon approval of a registration as a tire transporter, the owner or operator of any vehicle registered to transport used tires shall place a placard on opposite sides of the vehicles, which display(s) a number issued by the Agency following the words "Registered Tire Transporter: T###."	
848.606(b)	Registered tire transporter numbers and letters shall be removable only by destruction. Directly adjacent to the words and number, the vehicle owner and operator shall display a seal furnished by the Agency, which shall designate the date on which the registration expires.	

VIOLATIONS SUBJECT TO ADMINISTRATIVE CITATIONS

55(k)	No person shall:	
(1)	Cause or allow water to accumulate in used or waste tires. The prohibition set forth in this paragraph (1) of subsection (k) shall not apply to used or waste tires located at a residential household, as long as not more than 12 used or waste tires are located at the site.	
(2)	Fail to collect a fee required under Section 55.8 of this Title	
(3)	Fail to file a return required under Section 55.10 of this Title.	
(4)	Transport used or waste tires in violation of the registration and vehicle placarding requirements adopted by the Board.	

THE FOLLOWING VIOLATIONS MAY BE CITED WHEN WASTES, INCLUDING TIRES, HAVE BEEN IMPROPERLY DISPOSED

9(a)	Cause, threaten or allow air pollution in Illinois.	
9(c)	Cause, or allow open burning	
12(a)	Cause, threaten or allow water pollution in Illinois	
12(d)	Create a water pollution hazard	
21(a)	Cause or allow open dumping of: Used Tires Other solid waste	
21(d)(1)	No person shall conduct any waste-storage, waste-treatment, or waste-disposal operation without a permit granted by the Agency or in violation of any conditions imposed by such permit.	
21(d)(2)	No person shall conduct any waste-storage, waste-treatment, or waste-disposal operation in violation of any regulations or standards adopted by the Board under this Act	
21(e)	No person shall dispose, treat, store or abandon any waste, or transport any waste into this State for disposal, treatment, storage or abandonment, except at a site or facility that meets the requirements of the Act and of regulations and standards thereunder.	
21(p)	Cause or allow the open dumping of any waste in any manner that results in any of the following:	
(1)	Litter	
(2)	Scavenging	
(3)	Open Burning	
(4)	Deposition of Waste in Standing or Flowing Waters	
(5)	Proliferations of Disease Vectors	
(6)	Standing or Flowing Liquid Discharge from the Dump Site	
(7)	Deposition of GCDD or CCDD	
55(a)	No person shall:	
(1)	cause or allow the open dumping of any used or waste tire,	
(2)	cause or allow the open burning of any used or waste tire,	
(5)	Abandon, dump or dispose of any used or waste tire on any private or public property, except in a sanitary landfill approved by the Agency pursuant to regulations adopted by the Board.	
812.101(a)	Abandon, dump or dispose of any used or waste tire on any private or public property, except in a sanitary landfill approved by the Agency pursuant to regulations adopted by the Board.	
815.201	Failure to file an initial facility report with the Agency to provide information concerning location and disposal practices of the facility.	

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

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	Apparent Violations of: PCB CASE NUMBER: CIRCUIT COURT Order entered on:	
739.122(c)	2(c) Failure to properly label used oil container(s)	
739.124	Improper off-site shipment/transportation of used oil	

Use lines below for additional violations

 Add Another Violation	Delete Last Violation	

0990808157 - LaSalle County Ottawa/IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks

NARRATIVE INSPECTION REPORT DOCUMENT

On October 12, 2012, I (Donna Shehane) conducted a follow-up inspection at IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks, located at 1538 N 2725 Road, Ottawa, IL 61350. The purpose of this inspection was to determine the site's regulatory status and evaluate compliance with the Illinois Environmental Protection Act and Title 35 Illinois Administrative Code, Subtitle G, Part 848, Management of Used Tires regulations. This facility was originally inspected on March 15, 2012 pursuant to a complaint received in the office alleging illegal storage of used tires. A Non-Compliance Advisory was issued for the March 15, 2012 inspection. A subsequent inspection on June 6, 2012 was conducted during which water accumulation was observed in off-rim used tires stored outside. A Used Tire Administrative Citation Warning Notice was issued for the June 6, 2012 inspection. I then revisited the site on September 20, 2012; at which time photos were taken of more used tires containing water behind the building. After the September visit, I spoke with the facility on the phone and advised that all off-rim used tires be drained and moved inside or disposed of in short order.

This October 12, 2012 inspection was conducted to verify that my advice had been heeded. The weather at the time of this inspection was 53 °F with ENE winds @ 7 mph and clear skies.

I arrived on site at 12:15 pm and observed off-rim used tires remaining outside. Photo # 1 was taken to the southwest of water in two used tires. These tires were the same tire as observed on September 20, 2012. Photo # 2 was taken to the northeast of two more used tires with water accumulation, also the same as observed on September 20, 2012. Additional used tires containing water were photographed in photos # 3 and # 4. Additional off-rim used tires are revealed in photos # 5, # 6, and # 7. Approximately 31 used or waste tires were observed on site during this inspection.

I left the facility at about 12:30 pm.

IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks was found to remain out of compliance at the time of this inspection. Apparent violations noted:

- 1. Section 55(a)(3) of the Act.
- 2. Section 55(k)(1) of the Act.

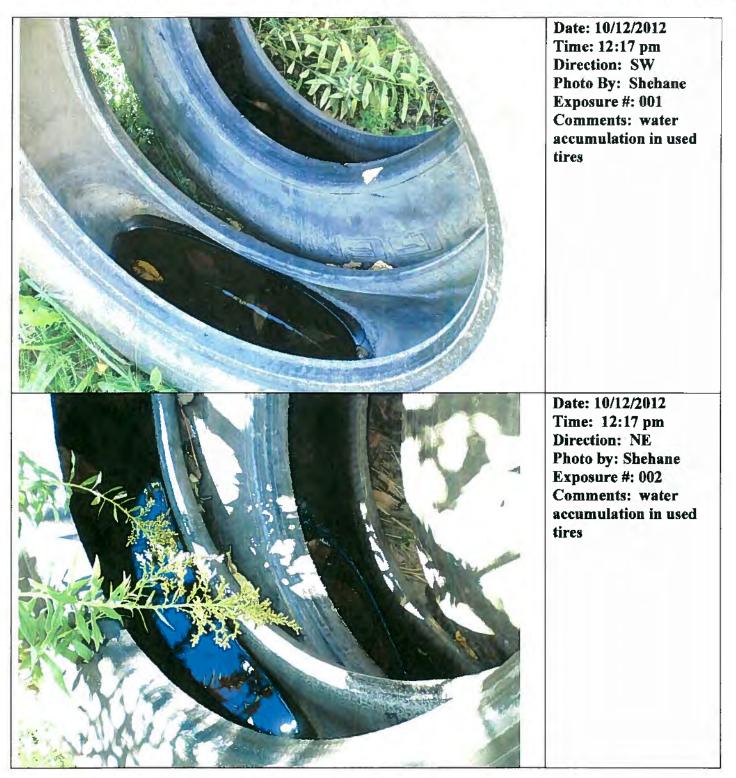
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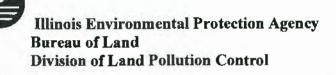


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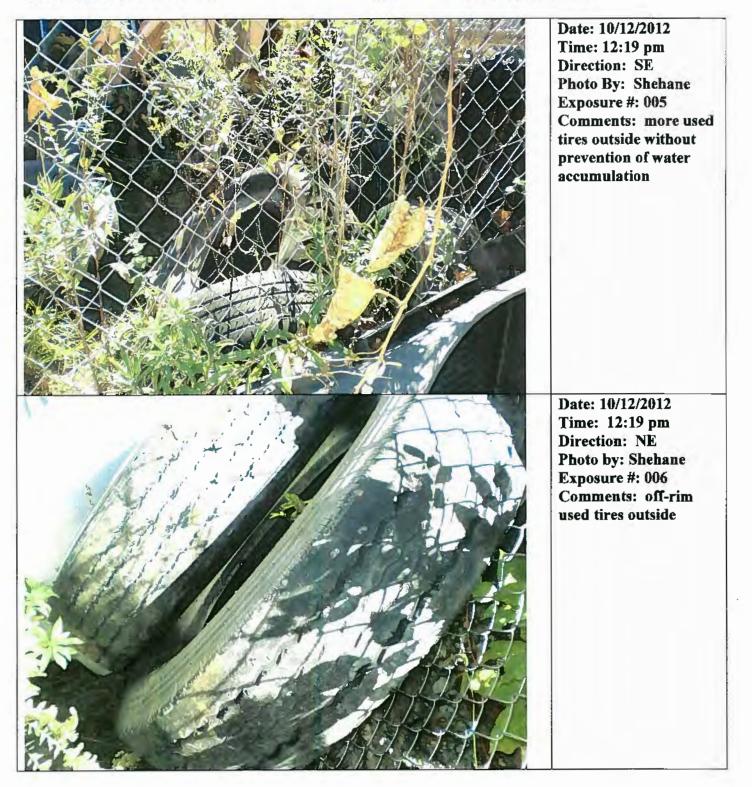
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PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS Pollution Control Board

I hereby certify that I did on the 29th day of November 2012, send by Certified Mail, Return

Receipt Requested, with postage thereon fully prepaid, by depositing in a United States Post Office

Box a true and correct copy of the following instrument(s) entitled ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION,

AFFIDAVIT, and OPEN DUMP INSPECTION CHECKLIST

To: Sheila Bray, Registered Agent IL Valley Urban Lumberjacks, LLC 2497 E. 1251 Road Ottawa, IL 61350

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