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PETITION FOR VARIANCE

POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

PETITIONER CITY OF MORRIS, a municipal corporation, seeks a variance from Rule 305(c) of the Illinois Pollution Control Board Rules and Regulations, Chapter 7, which requires two (2) feet of final cover within sixty (60) days after placement of refuse in the final lift.

CITY requests the above variance for one (1) year from the time it is granted.

CITY requests that the above variance be granted without a hearing but in the event that a hearing is necessary for the variance to be granted, then the CITY will attend.

In support of the above, PETITIONER states as follows:

1. CITY OF MORRIS has a population of approximately 9,000. CITY operates a landfill which receives all of the garbage generated by the citizens and businesses of the CITY and Grundy County. The landfill is located within the city limits of Morris and is approximately 53.6 acres in area.

2. Applying the fill in 60 days would mean hauling fill in winter weather conditions with the following problems:

- (a) Handling frozen material.
- (b) Putting tremendous amounts of stress on equipment.
- (c) Shorter daylight hours for operating equipment for both daily cover and final cover.

3. CITY is running out of areas to dispose of solid waste. Applying final cover before moving the burial operation to the west side of Ashley Road necessitates halting all landfill operations. This would impose a hardship on the

entire city and county and waste would have to be trucked to landfills outside of Grundy County at tremendous expense.

4. Applying final cover at this time creates an extreme economic hardship on the CITY. Suitable final cover material is lacking. Buying suitable final cover material on contract has been estimated cursorily at a cost of \$260,000.00 for 53.6 acres with two feet deep of fill. CITY has incurred significant operating losses at the landfill for the past several years. CITY has applied approximately 3/4 foot of fill on the landfill site.

5. CITY is increasing its landfill rates and investigating methods of funding so that the job can be done. When funds are available, the CITY will proceed with the final cover. CITY has spent considerable sums of money in the past to improve the quality of the landfill site and has worked diligently to comply with EPA rules and regulations.

6. Granting the one year variance will not have any adverse impact on the environment and will not have any adverse effect on human, plant, and animal life.

CITY OF MORRIS,
a municipal corporation

BY

Donald W. Henderson
Mayor

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF GRUNDY)

Mayor Donald A.
Davidson, Sr., being first duly sworn on oath,
deposes and says that he has read the foregoing Petition
for Variance, knows the contents thereof and states that
the same is true in substance and in fact.

Donald A. Davidson Sr
Mayor

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this 14 day of January 1980

Virginia A. Leiter
NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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COUNTY OF GRUNDY)

City Engineer

Richard Schweickert, being first duly sworn on oath,
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City Engineer Richard Schweickert, P.E.

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Warren K. Olson, Assistant

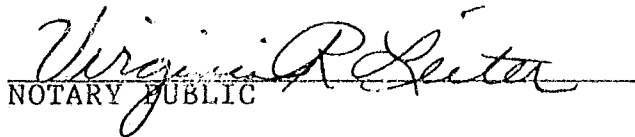
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