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BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

STATE OF ILLINOIS
Pollution Control Board

HOLLAND ENERGY, LLC-BEECHER CITY)
 (Property Identification Numbers)
 0524-01-00-100-004, 0825-16-00-100-004,)
 0825-16-00-300-002, 0825-16-00-300-003,)
 0825-16-00-200-002))
 Petitioner,) PCB 04- 222
) (Tax Certification)
 ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)
 PROTECTION AGENCY)
 Respondent.)

NOTICE

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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.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

By: 
James Allen Day
Assistant Counsel
Division of Legal Counsel

DATED: June 10, 2004

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APPEARANCE

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

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RECOMMENDATION

Now Comes the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA") by James Allen Day, one of its attorneys, and pursuant to Section 125.204 of the Illinois Pollution Control Board's (Board) regulations files the following Recommendation regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.204.

- 1) On December 31, 2003, the Illinois EPA received a request from Holland Energy, LLC-Beecher City for an Illinois EPA recommendation regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.204, and noted the request as log number TC-38-02. (Exhibit A)
- 2) The applicant's address is: Holland Energy, LLC
R.R. 3 Box 270A
Beecher City, Illinois 62414-0065
- 3) The water pollution control facilities in this request are located at Section 16, Township 9 North, Range 4 East of the 3rd Principal Meridian in Shelby County, Illinois at the above street address and consist of the following:


A cooling tower system consisting of a 10 celled mechanical draft counter flow cooling tower. Circulating water from the main condenser and auxiliary cooling

water from various equipment, returns heated to the cooling tower. Heated water flows through cooling tower riser valves (one per cell) to the individual cell distribution headers, where it is sprayed over the cooling tower fill and then falls into the cooling tower basin to be reused, or blown down to the outfall. (These facilities are further described in Exhibit A.)

4. Section 11-10 of the Property Tax Code, 35 ILCS 200/11-10 (2000), 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 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 (2000).
6. Based on the information in the application and the purpose of the facilities, to treat process waste water prior to discharge, 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. Therefore, the facilities are eligible for tax certification from the Board.

7. Therefore, the Illinois EPA recommends that the Board issue the requested tax certification.

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency,

By:  _____
James Allen Day
Assistant Counsel

June 10, 2004

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, on oath state that I have served the attached **APPEARANCE AND RECOMMENDATION**, upon the person to whom it is directed, by placing a copy in an envelope addressed to:

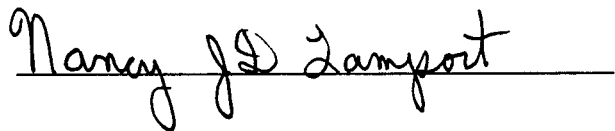
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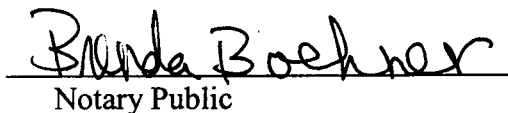
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and mailing it from Springfield, Illinois on June 10, 2004 with sufficient postage affixed for first class mail.



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this tenth day of June, 2004


Notary Public

