

COUNTY OF LASALLE

ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

COUNTY OF LASALLE	)	
	)	
Complainant	)	
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
KIMBERLY ROBERTSON	)	
	)	AC NO.
Respondent(s)	)	

JURISDICTION

This Administrative Citation is issued pursuant to authority vested in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency by 415 ILCS 5/31.1, formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, Ch. 111 ½, par. 1031.1, and delegated to the County of LaSalle pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/4 (r), formerly Ill. Rev. Stat., Ch. 111 ½, par. 1004 (r).

FACTS

1. That Respondent, Kimberly Robertson is the present owner of property located in Otter Creek Township, LaSalle County, Illinois.
2. That said facility is an open burn and open dump site, operating without an Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Permit, and is designated with Site Code No. 0998265007. Said facility is commonly known to the Agency as Robertson Property.
3. That the Respondent has owned said facility since October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
4. That on March 12, 2024, Lauren Grumieaux, Brian Gift, and Myranda Lakan of the LaSalle County Department of Land Use, under the authority of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, inspected the above-described facility. A copy of the inspection reports setting forth the results of such inspections are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

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**VIOLATIONS**

5. On the basis of direct observations of Lauren Grumieaux, Brian Gift, and Myranda Lakan of the LaSalle County Department of Land Use, it has been determined that the Respondents have caused or allowed open dumping at the above-described facility in a manner which results in the following occurrences:

That on March 12, 2024, an on-site inspection of said facility disclosed the following:

- XXX Causing or allowing litter -- 415 ILCS 5/21 (p) (1), (formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, ch. 111 ½, par. 1021 (p) (1) [formerly par. 1021 (q) (1)]).
- Causing or allowing scavenging operations -- 415 ILCS 5/21 (p) (2), (formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, ch. 111 ½, par. 102 (p) (2) [formerly par. 1021 (q) (2)]).
- XXX Causing or allowing open burning -- 415 ILCS 5/21 (p) (3), (formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, ch. 111 ½, par. 1021(p) (3) [formerly par. 1021 (q) (3)]).
- Causing or allowing the deposition of waste in standing or flowing waters -- 415 ILCS 5/21 (p) (4), (formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, ch. 111 ½, par. 1021 (p) (4) [formerly par. 1021 (q) (4)]).
- Causing or allowing proliferation of disease vectors -- 415 ILCS 5/21 (p) (5), (formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, ch. 111 ½, par. 1021(p) (5) [formerly par. 1021 (q) (5)]).
- Causing or allowing the generation of standing or flowing liquid discharge from the open dump site -- 415 ILCS 5/21 (p) (6), (formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, ch. 111 ½, par. 1021(p) (6) [formerly par. 1021 (q) (6)]).
- XXX Causing or allowing the deposition of general construction or demolition debris, or clean construction or demolition debris in violation of 415 ILCS 5/21(p)(7).

**CIVIL PENALTY**

6. Pursuant to 415 ILCS 5/42 (b) (4), formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, ch. 111 ½, par. 1042 (b) (4), Respondent herein is subject to a civil penalty of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00) for each violation specified above in Paragraph 5(b) for a total of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$4500.00). Additionally, should Respondents elect to petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board under the review process described herein below, and if there is a finding of the violation alleged herein, after an adjudicatory hearing, Respondents shall be assessed the associated hearing costs incurred by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the Illinois Pollution Control Board, in addition to the Fifteen Hundred Dollar (\$1500.00) statutory penalty for each finding of violation.
7. If you acknowledge the violations cited herein above, the civil penalty specified above shall be due and payable no later than thirty-five (35) days from the date of service hereof. If you do not petition the Illinois Pollution Control Board of review of this Administrative Citation within thirty-five (35) days of service hereof or if you elect to contest this Administrative Citation, any judgment rendered against you shall specify the due date of the statutory civil penalty and any costs assessed against you.
8. When payment is made, one certified check or money order for (\$2,250.00) shall be made payable to the  
**LaSalle County Treasurer** and mailed to:

**LaSalle County Department of Land Use  
119 West Madison Street  
Room 107a  
Ottawa, Illinois 61350**

And one certified check or money order for (\$2,250.00) shall be made payable to the  
**Illinois Environmental Protection Trust** and mailed to:

**Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
Attn.: Fiscal Services Division  
1021 North Grand Avenue East  
P.O. Box 19276  
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276**

Also, please complete and return the enclosed Remittance Form, along with your payment, to assure proper documentation of payment.

9. If any civil penalty imposed by the Illinois Pollution Control Board is not paid within the time prescribed in the order, interest from such penalty will be assessed for the period from the date payment is due until the date payment is received. If any civil penalty, by reason of acknowledgment, default or finding after the adjudicatory hearing is not paid when due, the LaSalle County State's Attorney may initiate proceedings in Circuit Court to collect said civil penalty. In addition to the previously assessed civil penalty, interest and hearing costs of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, if any, the State's Attorney's Office will seek to recover their costs of litigation.

**PROCEDURE FOR CONTESTING THIS  
ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION**

10. You have the right to contest this Administrative Citation. See: 415 ILCS 5/31.1, formerly Ill. Rev. Stat. 1991, Ch. 111 ½, par. 1031.1. If you elect to contest this Administrative Citation, you must file a Petition for Review with the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Copies of the Petition for Review should also be filed with:

Mark Anderson  
LaSalle County Special Assistant State's Attorney  
707 Etna Road  
Ottawa, Illinois 61350

LaSalle County Department of Land Use  
119 West Madison Street  
Room 107  
Ottawa, Illinois 61350

Such Petition for Review must be filed within thirty-five (35) days of the date of service of this Administrative Citation, or a default judgment shall be entered by the Pollution Control Board. Petition for Review may be filed with the:

Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board  
60 E. Van Buren St., Ste. 630  
Chicago, IL 60605

Dated:

4-9-2024

Joseph R. Navarro  
LaSalle County State's Attorney

By:



Mark Anderson  
Assistant State's Attorney



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**REMITTANCE FORM**

**FACILITY:**

Kimberly Robertson                      Site Code:    0998265007  
1410 E Elm St.                              County:        LaSalle  
Streator, IL 61364                         Township:     Otter Creek

**CIVIL PENALTY:**                      \$1500.0 for each violation  
Number of Violation(s):                Three (3)  
Total Remittance:                        \$2,250.00 (50% of \$4,500.00 penalty to IEPA)  
Date of Inspection:                        March 12, 2024

DATE REMITTED: \_\_\_\_\_  
SS/FEIN NUMBER                         \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURES                                \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE**

Please enter the date of your remittance, your social security number(s) (SS) if an individual or Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) if a corporation, and sign this Remittance Form. Be sure your certified check or money order is enclosed, and mail, along with Remittance Form to:

**Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
Attn.: Fiscal Services Division  
1021 North Grand Avenue East  
P.O. Box 19276  
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276**

# INFORMATIONAL NOTICE !!!

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU READ THE ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS

**NOTE: This Administrative Citation Refers to One State Agency and Two County Entities**

**The One State Agency Is:**

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
60 E Van Buren St. Ste. 630  
Chicago, IL 60605

**The Two County Entities Are:**

LASALLE COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY OFFICE  
ATTENTION: MARK ANDERSON  
707 ETNA ROAD  
OTTAWA, ILLINOIS 61350

LASALLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE  
119 WEST MADISON STREET  
ROOM 107A  
OTTAWA, ILLINOIS 61350

**If you elect to contest the enclosed ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION, you must file a PETITION FOR REVIEW within thirty-five (35) days of the date the ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION was served upon you.** Any such PETITION FOR REVIEW must be filed with the CLERK OF THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD by either hand-delivering or mailing the PETITION FOR REVIEW to the **CLERK OF THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** at the address given above. A copy of the PETITION FOR REVIEW should be either hand-delivered or mailed to the LASALLE COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, ATTENTION: MARK ANDERSON at the address given above. Also, a copy of the PETITION FOR REVIEW should be either hand-delivered or mailed to the LASALLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE at the address given above.

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF LASALLE**

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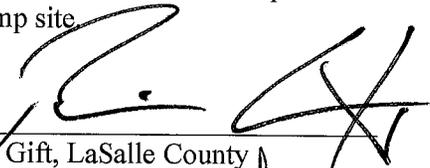
Respondent(s) )

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**AFFIDAVIT**

Affiants, Lauren Grumieaux, Brian Gift, and Myranda Lakan, being first duly sworn, voluntarily deposes and states as follows:

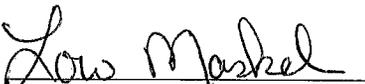
1. Affiants are employed by the County of LaSalle and have been so employed at all times pertinent hereto.
2. On March 12, 2024, between 3:28 p.m. and 3:45 p.m., Affiants conducted inspections of an open burn and open dump site operating without an Agency permit, located in LaSalle County, Illinois and known as the Robertson Property by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Said site has been assigned site code number 0998265007 by the Agency.
3. Affiant inspected the said Otter Creek Township / Robertson Property open dump site by an on-site inspection which included conducting a visual inspection and photographing the site.
4. As a result of the material actions referred to in paragraph 3 above, Affiants completed the Inspection Report Forms attached hereto and made a part hereof, which, to the best of Affiants knowledge and belief, is an accurate representation of Affiants observations and factual conclusions with respect to said Otter Creek Township / The Robertson Property open burn and open dump site.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Brian Gift, LaSalle County

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Lauren Grumieaux, LaSalle County

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Myranda Lakan, LaSalle County

Subscribed and Sworn to Before Me  
this 3 day of April, A.D. 2024.

  
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Notary Public



COUNTY OF LASALLE )  
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 KIMBERLY ROBERTSON )  
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 Respondent(s) )

Facility# 0998265007  
 Facility Name: Robertson Property

**WARNING: CORRECTIVE ACTION REQUIRED**

To contest the Administrative Citation you have received you must follow the instructions provided in the Administrative Citation. You may be served with additional Administrative Citations if you fail to complete the following corrective actions, and are found to be in violation of the [Illinois] Environmental Protection Act. Additional inspection(s) will be conducted to verify cleanup and compliance.

**YOU MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING CORRECTIVE ACTIONS**

1. Immediately cease all open dumping and open burning.
2. Within 90 days from the date of this Administrative Citation, remove all debris/garbage to a permitted landfill or transfer station.
3. Within 90 days from the date of this Administrative Citation, submit to the LCESLU copies of receipts that document the proper disposal or recycling of all wastes.
4. Within 90 days from the date of this Administrative Citation, remove all white goods (i.e., large appliances) to a facility that can legitimately accept them for recycling. White goods cannot be taken to a landfill or transfer station for the purpose of disposal.

Any written response submitted in reply to the corrective action requirements of this notice must be sent to:

On any correspondence you send concerning this matter, please reference the IEPA designated facility number and facility name listed on the first page of this notice.

Should you have any questions concerning this notice or need further assistance, please contact the Land Use office at 815-434-8666.

  
 Brian Gift, Director

Date: 4/3/2024

**Illinois Environmental Protection Agency**

**Open Dump Inspection Checklist**

County: LaSalle BOL #: 0998265007 Region: 1 - Rockford  
 Site Name: Robertson Property  
 Site Address: 1410 E Elm St City: Streator  
 Inspector: L. Grumieaux & M. Lakan & B. Gift Interviewed: Tenant  
 Date: 3/12/2023 Current Est. 20 yds<sup>3</sup>  
 Complaint #: 23-49 Waste Amt.

Responsible Party: Kevin & Kimberly Robertson  
 Mailing Address(es) and Phone Number(s): 603 E ~~Elm St.~~ Kent St., Streator IL, 61364

Current Tenants: 1410 E Elm St., Streator, IL 61364

Section	Description	Status
<b>Illinois Environmental Protection Act Requirements</b>		
9(a)	Cause, threaten, or allow air pollution in Illinois	V
9(c)	Cause or allow open burning	V
12(a)	Cause, threaten, or allow water pollution in Illinois	
12(d)	Create a water pollution hazard	
21(a)	Cause or allow open dumping	V
21(d)	Conduct any waste-storage, waste-treatment, or waste- disposal operation:	
(1)	Without a permit	V
(2)	In violation of any regulations or standards adopted by the Board	
21(e)	Dispose, treat, store, or abandon waste, or transport waste into Illinois for such activities, except at a site meeting Act and regulatory requirements	V
21(p)	Cause or allow the open dumping of any waste in a manner which results in any of the following occurrences at the dump site:	
(1)	Litter	V
(2)	Scavenging	
(3)	Open Burning	V
(4)	Deposition of waste in standing or flowing waters	
(5)	Proliferation of disease vectors	
(6)	Standing or flowing liquid discharge from the dump site	
(7)	Deposition of general construction or demolition debris as defined at §3.160(a) or clean construction or demolition debris as defined at §3.160(b)	V
55(a)	No person shall	
(1)	Cause or allow open dumping of any used or waste tire	
(2)	Cause or allow open burning of any used or waste tire	

<b>55(k)</b>	No person shall	
(1)	Cause or allow water to accumulate in used or waste tires	
(4)	Transport used or waste tires in violation of the registration and placarding requirements	
<b>Consumer Electronic Recycling Act (415 ILCS 151) Requirements</b>		
<b>83(c)</b>	No person may knowingly cause or allow the mixing of a CED or other listed device with waste that is intended for disposal by burning or incineration	
<b>83(d)</b>	No person may knowingly cause or allow the burning or incineration of a CED or other listed device	
<b>35 Illinois Administrative Code Subtitle G Requirements</b>		
<b>722.111</b>	Hazardous waste determination	
<b>808.121</b>	Special waste determination	
<b>809.302(a)</b>	Acceptance of special waste from a waste transporter without a waste hauling permit and manifest	
<b>812.101(a)</b>	Application submitted for permit to develop and operate landfill	
<b>Other Requirements</b>		
Apparent violation of: <input type="checkbox"/> PCB order <input type="checkbox"/> Circuit Court order		NA
Case Number _____ ; Order entered on _____		
Other		
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Notes

1. Key to Status: V=Violated; C=Continuing violation from previous evaluation; V/C=Newly violated and continuing from previous evaluation; V/R=Violated and resolved during same inspection; R=Resolved violation; NA=Not applicable at the time of the inspection; NE=Not evaluated at the time of the inspection
2. The provisions of §§21(o)-(p) and §55(k) of the Environmental Protection Act are enforceable either by administrative citation under §31.1 or by complaint under §31. Violations of the Consumer Electronic Recycling Act are enforceable by administrative citation under §1-55(a) or referral to the Attorney General pursuant to §1-50(b).
3. This inspection was conducted in accordance with §§4(c)-(d) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/4(c) and (d)).

0998265007-LaSalle County  
Otter Creek Township/ Robertson Property  
NARRATIVE INSPECTION REPORT DOCUMENT

GENERAL REMARKS

On March 12, 2024, an open burning re-inspection was conducted at 1410 E Elm St., Streator, IL by Ms. Lauren Grumieaux, Mr. Brian Gift, and Ms. Myranda Lakan representing the LaSalle County Land Use Department, under the delegation authority of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. The property is owned by Kevin & Kimberly Robertson.

Weather conditions on March 12, 2024, were Sunny and 69 °F. Winds SW at 18 mph.

Ms. Grumieaux, Mr. Gift, and I arrived at the site at 3:28 PM and began the inspection.

Once at the site, we noted multiple people on site. Mr. Gift asked one of the individuals if the current tenant was on site. The individual went to the RV on-site and talked to the tenant. Once he returned, he stated the tenant permitted us to conduct the inspection. Heading north on the parcel, we viewed a pile that was comingled with waste and construction debris placed on a tarp. (Photo #1) Facing northwest, I viewed the charred foundation of where the trailer once stood. Garbage bins and outside furniture were also viewed in the area. (Photo #2) I then viewed a pile of charred construction debris that was comingled with charred metal and tire wire. (Photo #3-#4) Facing northwest, I viewed a second burn pile. I documented garbage bins, totes, five-gallon buckets, and a children's swimming pool filled with shingles and charred debris. (Photo #5)

Next, facing west, I viewed multiple off-rim tires, household waste, household furniture, and burn barrels in the area. (Photo #6) While in the area, I documented one burn barrel containing charred construction debris. I also viewed a second burn barrel containing charred construction debris as well. (Photo #7- #8) Making our way to the western side of the parcel, I viewed a burnt hot tub, more garbage bins, more off-rim tires, construction debris, and gas cans in the area. (Photo #9)

Lastly, I viewed the area where the garage once stood. Charred shingles, construction debris, and charred fencing were viewed in the area. (Photo #10) Facing southeast, I viewed the charred structure of the trailer. (Photo #11) After documenting our findings, we concluded the inspection at 3:45 PM.

**Apparent violations noted:**

**Illinois Environmental Protection Act:**

9(a), 9(c), 21(a), 21(d)(1), 21(e), and 21(p) (1)(3)(7)

END OF NARRATIVE BY MYRANDA LAKAN

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

SITE SKETCH

Date of Inspection: 3/12/24 Inspector (s): L. Grumiecyp & M. Iakan  
Site Code: 0998265007 County: LASALLE  
Site Name: Robertson Property Time: 3:28 - 3:45.

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## DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Robertson Property 0998265007



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:36 PM  
Direction: Northwest  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 1  
Comments: burnt  
charred debris  
placed on a tarp.

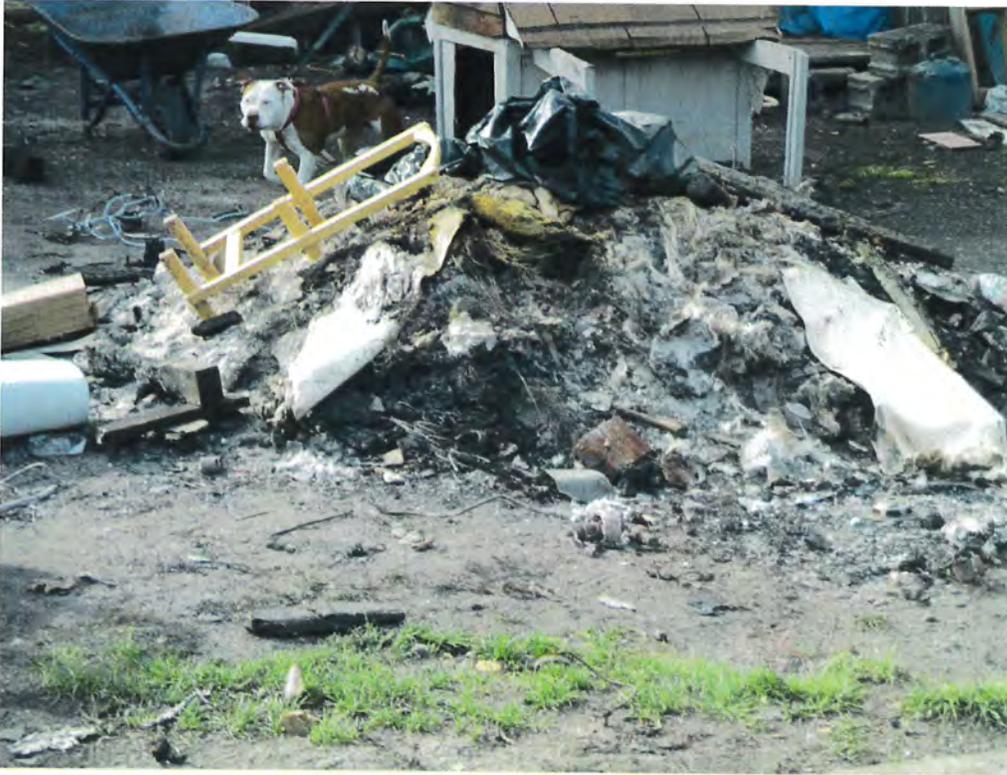


Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:37 PM  
Direction: Northwest  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 2  
Comments: Charred  
building structure  
where the trailer  
once was.



## DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Robertson Property 0998265007



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:38 PM  
Direction: Northwest  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 3  
Comments: Pile of  
charred debris.



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:39 PM  
Direction: West  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 4  
Comments: Tires wire  
in burn pile.



## DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Robertson Property 0998265007



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:39 PM  
Direction: Northwest  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 5  
Comments: Second  
pile of open burn.  
Garbage bins, five-  
gallon buckets,  
household waste.



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:39 PM  
Direction: West  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 6  
Comments: off-rim  
tires, more garbage  
bins filled with  
charred debris,  
household furniture,  
and burn barrels.



## DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Robertson Property 0998265007



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:40 PM  
Direction: West  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 7  
Comments: Burn  
barrel containing  
charred material.



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:40 PM  
Direction: West  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 8  
Comments: second  
burn barrel filled with  
charred debris.



## DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Robertson Property 0998265007



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:40 PM  
Direction: North  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 9  
Comments: burned  
hot tub, more off-rim  
tires, construction  
debris, and gas  
cans.



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:40 PM  
Direction: Southwest  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 10  
Comments: charred  
fencing and  
construction debris.



## DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Robertson Property 0998265007



Date: 3/12/2024  
Time: 3:40 PM  
Direction: Southeast  
Photo by:  
L. Grumieaux  
Exposure #: 11  
Comments: Charred  
construction debris.

**BEFORE THE  
ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**

COUNTY OF LASALLE )

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v. )

KIMBERLY ROBERTSON )

Respondent(s) )

AC NO.

**PROOF OF SERVICE**

The undersigned, after being first duly placed on oath, voluntarily deposes and states that he personally served the attached LaSalle County Administrative Citation, Informational Notice, Remittance Form, together with correct copies of the attached Inspector's Affidavit, the Inspection Report Form with attachments upon the following named person(s):

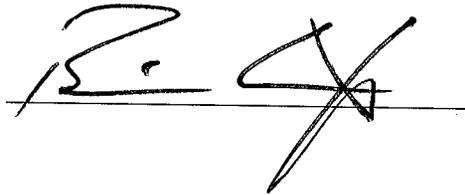
Kimberly Robertson  
603 E Kent St.  
Streator, IL 61364

or upon an authorized agent of such person(s) for the purpose of service of process upon such person(s), by:

(X) personal service

() Certified Mail, postage pre-paid and deposited in the United States Mail, plainly addressed to such person(s) at the above-described location.

on this, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 2024.



Subscribed and Sworn to Before Me  
this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 2024.



Notary Public

