

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

Mike Endress)	
(Property Identification Number)	PCB No. 26 -
17-17-01-100-009))	(Tax Certification)
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NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board the Illinois EPA's **MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE, INSTANTER, AND AMENDED RECOMMENDATION OF THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**, copies of which are herewith served upon you.


Mike Endress
10740 Antioch Road
Tremont, Illinois 61568

Don Brown, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board
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Chicago, Illinois 60605

Copies also provided electronically as follows:

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P.O. Box 19033
Springfield, Illinois 62794

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

By: 
Grace McCarten
Assistant Counsel
Division of Legal Counsel

DATED: January 7, 2026

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BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

Mike Endress

**(Property Identification Number
17-17-01-100-009)**

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE, *INSTANTER*,

Respondent, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency ("Illinois EPA"), requests that the Illinois Pollution Control Board ("Board") grant this Motion for Leave to File, *Instanter*, its Amended Recommendation Regarding the Tax Certification of Water Pollution Control Facilities, pursuant to Sections 101.500 and 101.514 of the Illinois Pollution Control Board's ("Board") Procedural Rules. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.500(e), 101.514. In support of its motion seeking leave to file, *instanter*, Illinois EPA states:

1. On January 7, 2026, the Illinois EPA filed its Amended Recommendation Regarding the Tax Certification of Water Pollution Control Facilities due to a drafting error in the initial Recommendation filed on December 18, 2025, that resulted in the inclusion of incorrect information in the justification of the Agency's partial denial recommendation. The Amended Recommendation accurately reflects the Agency's engineering justification for the partial denial recommendation as it pertains to this case.

WHEREFORE, Illinois EPA respectfully requests that the Board grant Respondent's Motion for Leave to File *Instanter*, as filed on this date.

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Respectfully submitted,

By: 

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**AMENDED RECOMMENDATION OF THE ILLINOIS
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

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

1. On May 13, 2025, the Illinois EPA received a request from Mike Endress (log number TC-152689, Exhibit A) for an Illinois EPA recommendation regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.204. Exhibit A contains the portions of the request that Illinois EPA relied upon in reaching the recommendation contained herein.
2. On December 18, 2025, the Illinois EPA filed a Recommendation with the Board regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities at the applicant's property. The Illinois EPA is filing this Amended Recommendation Regarding the Tax Certification of Water Pollution Control Facilities due to a drafting error in the initial Recommendation filed on December 18, 2025, that resulted in the inclusion of incorrect information in the justification of the Agency's partial denial recommendation. This Amended Recommendation accurately reflects the Agency's

engineering justification for the partial denial recommendation as it pertains to this case.

3. The facility's address is: Mike Endress
10740 Antioch Road
Tremont, Illinois 61568

The proposed water pollution control facilities in this request are located in the NW ¼ of Section 1, T23S, R4W of the 3rd P.M. in Tazewell County, at the above street address and consist of the following livestock waste management structures:

One (1) concrete manure storage area measuring 24 ft. (length) x 35.83 ft. (width), two (2) exterior walls of the manure storage area measuring 24 ft. (length) x 6 ft. (height) and 35.83 ft. (length) x 6 ft. (height) respectively, one (1) interior wall of the manure storage area measuring 35.83 ft. (length) x 6 ft. (height), the roof directly over the manure storage area, and the two (2) concrete pillars measuring 14 in. (diameter) directly supporting the roof over the manure storage area. One (1) concrete manure scrape alley measuring 136 ft. (length) x 14 ft. (width), one (1) concrete manure bedpack area measuring 78 ft. (length) x 35.83 ft. (width), one (1) concrete work area measuring 47.33 ft. (length) x 35.83 ft. (width), one (1) reinforced concrete curb measuring 8.17 ft. (length) x 25 in. (width) x 6 in. (depth), one (1) reinforced concrete curb measuring 136 ft. (length) x 18 in. (width) x 6 in. (depth), and two (2) reinforced concrete roll curbs measuring 14 ft. (length) x 18 in. (width) x 6 in. (depth). One (1) exterior side wall of the work area measuring 35.83 ft. (length) x 4 ft (height). One (1) back wall of the work area and bed pack area measuring 126.67 ft. (length) x 4 ft. (height), one (1) interior wall separating the work area from the bed pack area measuring 35.83 ft. (length) x 4 ft. (height), the footings, the roof over the work area, scrape alley, and bed pack area, and the seven (7) concrete pillars measuring 14 in. (diameter) supporting the roof structure over these areas.

These livestock waste management facilities are used to collect, transport and/or store livestock waste prior to cropland application.

4. Section 11-10 of the Property Tax Code, 35 ILCS 200/11-10 (2024), and Section 125.200(a) of the Board's regulations, 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200(a), define "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: eliminating, preventing, or reducing air or water pollution ...or 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.

4. In order to receive preferential tax treatment as pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/11-5 (2024), pollution control facilities must be certified as such by the Board, 35 ILCS 200/11-20 (2024) and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200(a).
5. Upon receipt of a tax certification application, the Illinois EPA must file a recommendation on the application with the Board, 35 Ill Adm. Code 125.204(a).
6. Based on the information in the application and the purpose of the facility, it is the Illinois EPA's engineering judgment that the a portion of 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. Specifically, the Illinois EPA recommends that the following portion of the facilities be deemed eligible for tax certification from the Board:

One (1) concrete manure storage area measuring 24 ft. (length) x 35.83 ft. (width), two (2) exterior walls of the manure storage area measuring 24 ft. (length) x 6 ft. (height) and 35.83 ft. (length) x 6 ft. (height) respectively, one (1) interior wall of the manure storage area measuring 35.83 ft. (length) x 6 ft. (height), the roof directly over the manure storage area, and the two (2) concrete pillars measuring 14 in. (diameter) directly supporting the roof over the manure storage area. One (1) concrete manure scrape alley measuring 136 ft. (length) x 14 ft. (width), one (1) concrete manure bedpack area measuring 78 ft. (length) x 35.83 ft. (width), one (1) concrete work area measuring 47.33 ft. (length) x 35.83 ft. (width), one (1) reinforced concrete curb

measuring 8.17 ft. (length) x 25 in. (width) x 6 in. (depth), one (1) reinforced concrete curb measuring 136 ft. (length) x 18 in. (width) x 6 in. (depth), and two (2) reinforced concrete roll curbs measuring 14 ft. (length) x 18 in. (width) x 6 in. (depth).

7. Based on the information in the application and the purpose of the facility, it is the Illinois EPA's engineering judgment that a portion of the described facilities may **not** be considered "pollution control facilities" pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200(a), because this portion of the facilities does not have the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing water pollution, or as otherwise provided in 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.200, and are therefore **not** eligible for tax certification from the Board. Specifically, the Illinois EPA recommends that the following portion of the facilities be denied tax certification from the Board:


One (1) exterior side wall of the work area measuring 35.83 ft. (length) x 4 ft (height). One (1) back wall of the work area and bed pack area measuring 126.67 ft. (length) x 4 ft. (height), one (1) interior wall separating the work area from the bed pack area measuring 35.83 ft. (length) x 4 ft. (height), the footings, the roof over the work area, scrape alley, and bed pack area, and the seven (7) concrete pillars measuring 14 in. (diameter) supporting the roof structure over these areas.

The Agency has considered evidence submitted by the applicant in support of the claim that the above facilities are pollution control facilities including the assertion that they are used for manure storage or transport more than 50% of the time. The Agency recognizes that these facilities aid in the prevention of pollution in various ways, especially in preventing the comingling of rainwater with livestock wastes, but it is the Agency's engineering and professional judgment that the primary purpose of the above listed facilities are to keep the animals clean, shelter animals from the outside environment, keep animals separated from the manure storage area, and support the roof structure and are, therefore, not pollution control within the

meaning of the tax code. Accordingly, the Illinois EPA recommends that these portions of the facility be denied tax certification by the Board.

WHEREFORE, the Illinois EPA recommends that the Board issue the requested tax certification for a portion of the facilities and deny the requested tax certification for a portion of the facilities. The applicant has 35 days after the date of service to file a petition with the Board to contest the Illinois EPA's recommendation for the portion of the facilities where the Illinois EPA is recommending that the tax certification be denied, as discussed above.

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

By: 
Grace McCarten
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Dated: January 7, 2026

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JB Pritzker, Governor

James Jennings, Acting Director

Memorandum

To: Mike Roubitchek, Division of Legal Counsel

From: Darin LeCrone, P.E., Manager, Division of Water Pollution Control, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Date: DEC 17 2025

Re: Mike Endress - Tremont
Recommendation of Tax Certification
Log No.: TC-152689
BOW ID No.: W1798040006
Property Index Number: 17-17-01-100-009

The Bureau of Water received a request on May 13, 2025, from Mike Endress, having a principal place of business at 10740 Antioch Road, Tremont, IL 61568, for an Illinois EPA recommendation regarding the tax certification of water pollution control facilities pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 125.204. We offer the following recommendation.

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

Mike Endress
10740 Antioch Road
Tremont, IL 61568

NW ¼ of Section 1, T23S, R4W, 3RD PM in Tazewell County.

Livestock waste handling facilities consist of:

One (1) concrete manure storage area measuring 24 ft. (length) x 35.83 ft. (width), two (2) exterior walls of the manure storage area measuring 24 ft. (length) x 6 ft. (height) and 35.83 ft. (length) x 6 ft. (height) respectively, one (1) interior wall of the manure storage area measuring 35.83 ft. (length) x 6 ft. (height), the roof directly over the manure storage area, and the two (2) concrete pillars measuring 14 in. (diameter) directly supporting the roof over the manure storage area. One (1) concrete manure scrape alley measuring 136 ft. (length) x 14 ft. (width), one (1) concrete manure bedpack area measuring 78 ft. (length) x 35.83 ft. (width), one (1) concrete work area measuring 47.33 ft. (length) x 35.83 ft. (width), one (1)

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reinforced concrete curb measuring 8.17 ft. (length) x 25 in. (width) x 6 in. (depth), one (1) reinforced concrete curb measuring 136 ft. (length) x 18 in. (width) x 6 in. (depth), and two (2) reinforced concrete roll curbs measuring 14 ft. (length) x 18 in. (width) x 6 in. (depth).

These livestock waste management facilities collect, transport, and/ or store livestock waste prior to cropland application.

The 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 Ill. Adm. Code 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.

In addition to the above described facilities, the Agency determined that the following facilities ARE NOT pollution control facilities according to § 125.200 having the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing air or water pollution or treating, pretreating, modifying or disposing of any potential solid, liquid or gaseous pollutant which if released without pretreatment, treatment, modification or disposal might be harmful, detrimental or offensive to human, plant or animal life, or to property and therefore ARE NOT recommended.

One (1) exterior side wall of the work area measuring 35.83 ft. (length) x 4 ft (height). One (1) back wall of the work area and bedpack area measuring 126.67 ft. (length) x 4 ft. (height), one (1) interior wall separating the work area from the bedpack area measuring 35.83 ft. (length) x 4 ft. (height), the footings, the roof over the work area, scrape alley, and bedpack area, and the seven (7) concrete pillars measuring 14 in. (diameter) supporting the roof structure over these areas.

This determination is based on the following factor(s):

The Agency has considered evidence submitted by the applicant in support of the claim that the above facilities are pollution control facilities including the assertion that they are used for manure storage or transport more than 50% of the time. The Agency recognizes that these facilities aid in the prevention of pollution in various ways, especially in preventing the comingling of rainwater with livestock wastes, but it is the Agency's engineering and professional judgement that the primary purpose of the above listed facilities are to keep the animals clean, shelter animals from the outside environment, keep animals separated from the manure storage area, and support the roof structure and are, therefore, not pollution control within the meaning of the tax code.

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Sarah Coulton at 217/782-0610.

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cc: Tax Cert File
Todd Bennett



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JAMES JENNINGS, ACTING DIRECTOR

Memorandum

To: Mike Roubitchek, Division of Legal Counsel

From: Darin LeCrone, P.E., Manager, Permit Section, Division of Water Pollution Control, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Date:

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

ONLY Stack area walls + roof + columns / Deny: walls, roof over + support columns w/ bedpack, scrape alley, work area

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115 S. LaSalle Street, Suite 2203, Chicago, IL 60603
1101 Eastport Plaza Dr., Suite 100, Collinsville, IL 62234 (618) 346-5120
9511 Harrison Street, Des Plaines, IL 60016 (847) 294-4000

595 S. State Street, Elgin, IL 60123 (847) 608-3131
2309 W. Main Street, Suite 116, Marion, IL 62959 (618) 993-7200
412 SW Washington Street, Suite D, Peoria, IL 61602 (309) 671-3022
4302 N. Main Street, Rockford, IL 61103 (815) 987-7760

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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 Ill. Adm. Code 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.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Sarah Coulton at 217/782-0610.

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Endress Tax Cert

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Thomas V. Skinner, Director

manure stack area: 35.83' x 24' floor

- 2 exterior walls: 24' x 6' + 35.83' x 6'

- 1 interior wall: 35.83' x 6'

- portion of roof + support columns over the stack area

scrape alley:

(152' - 16') x 14' floor

help area: 78' x 35.83' floor

DENY: walls, roof, columns supporting

~~table~~ 126.61' x 4' base wall

interior: 35.83' x 4' work + bedpack

"work area": 47.33' x 35.83' floor

DENY: walls + roof + columns supporting

8.17

25' 2 exterior walls

Curbing: 1: 3' x 4" x 18" - 35.83' x 4'

2: 14' x 6" x 18"

1: 136' x 4" x 18"

Illinois EPA - Bureau of Water - Division of Pollution Control

Title 35 Subtitle A Part 125 Tax Certifications

Illinois EPA Review Notes for:

Agency Recommendation of Pollution Control Facilities.

BOW ID #: W1798040006

Project Name: Mike Endress

Date application received: 05/13/2025

Reviewer: SC

Log number: TC-152689

Legal Description:

NW ¼ Section 1 Twp: 23S Range: 4W PM: 3

County: Tazewell

Facility Contact: Kari Fraley

Frank & West Environmental Engineers, Inc.

1032 S 2nd St, Springfield, IL 62704

217/679-7361

Phone: 309-657-6344

Email: endress.michael58@gmail.com

Pollution Control Facility Type:

Cattle/Dairy Livestock Waste Management
Facility

Property ID: 17-17-01-100-009

Applicant: Mike Endress

10740 Antioch Road

Tremont, IL 61568

Facility: Mike Endress

10740 Antioch Road

Tremont, IL 61568

Date Control Devices installed: 10/30/2024

Application Signature by: Michael Endress

Title: Owner

Contents of Application: Application form, cover letter, map, plan drawings, flow diagram

Is there a pollutant control flow diagram? **Yes**

Is there sufficient diagrams showing the pollution control facilities? **Yes**

This facility generates the following pollutants and prevents their discharge as indicated:

Livestock waste is collected and land applied to cropland.

Physical description of pollution control facilities that ARE recommended:

The livestock waste handling facilities consist of one (1) concrete manure storage area (approximately 24 ft. x 35.83 ft. x 6 ft.), one (1) concrete manure scrape alley (approximately 136 ft. x 14 ft. x 5 in.), one (1) concrete bedpack area (approximately 78 ft x 35.83 ft. x 4 ft.), one (1) concrete work area (approximately 47.33 ft x 35.83 ft. x 4 ft.), one (1) reinforced concrete curb (approximately 8.17 ft. x 25 in. x 6 in.), one (1) reinforced concrete curb (approximately 136 ft. x 18 in. x 6 in.), and two (2) reinforced roll curbs (approximately 14 ft. x 18 in x 6 in.), and the portion of the building over the manure stack area, bedpack area, work area, and scrape alley.

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Pollution control facilities requested by the Applicant through Description of Pollution Control Facilities, Section 2 of the application form and the attachments:

One (1) concrete manure storage area,

One (1) concrete scrape alley,

One (1) bedpack areas,

One (1) work areas,

Two (2) Concrete curbing,

Two (2) roll curbs,

And portion of the building over the storage area, bedpack area, work area, and scrape alley.

Recommended Action: Issue tax certification.

In addition to the above described facilities, the Agency determined that the following facilities ARE NOT pollution control facilities according to § 125.200 having the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing air or water pollution or treating, pretreating, modifying or disposing of any potential solid, liquid or gaseous pollutant which if released without pretreatment, treatment, modification or disposal might be harmful, detrimental or offensive to human, plant or animal life, or to property and therefore ARE NOT recommended.

The scrape alley portion that is not used for manure transportation

Notes:

Nothing follows – SC - (June 11, 2025)

Illinois EPA - Bureau of Water - Division of Pollution Control

Title 35 Subtitle A Part 125 Tax Certifications

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Reviewer: SC

Log number: TC-152689

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NW ¼ Section 1 Twp: 23S Range: 4W PM: 3

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One (1) concrete manure storage area,

One (1) concrete scrape alley,

One (1) bedpack areas,

One (1) work areas,

Two (2) Concrete curbing,

Two (2) roll curbs,

And three (3) walls surrounding the manure storage area, the roof over the area, and two (2) support pillars.

Recommended Action: Issue tax certification.

In addition to the above described facilities, the Agency determined that the following facilities ARE NOT pollution control facilities according to § 125.200 having the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing air or water pollution or treating, pretreating, modifying or disposing of any potential solid, liquid or gaseous pollutant which if released without pretreatment, treatment, modification or disposal might be harmful, detrimental or offensive to human, plant or animal life, or to property and therefore ARE NOT recommended.

The scrape alley portion that is not used for manure transportation

The exterior and interior walls surrounding the bedpack area

The exterior walls surrounding the work area

The roof over and seven (7) support pillars in front of the bedpack and work areas.

Notes:

Nothing follows – SC - (September 12, 2025)



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Division of Water Pollution Control

Tax Certification Form for Livestock Operations

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This form's purpose is for the application for tax certification of water pollution control facilities at a livestock operation in accordance with 35 Ill. Admin. Code Part 125. For purposes of this form, a water pollution control facility ("facility") is designed, constructed, installed or operated for the primary purpose of eliminating, preventing, or reducing water pollution. Multiple facilities may be submitted using this form; however, all facilities must be located on the same livestock operation site. Separate applications must be completed for separate livestock operations.

All other types of operations (e.g. industrial, agrichemical, etc.) and air pollution control facilities must use form IL 532-0222

Please follow the instructions found throughout this form. If you need additional assistance with filling out this form, please call the Bureau of Water at 217-782-3362. Additional information about the tax certification process and applicable regulations including definitions may be found at the Agency website: www2.illinois.gov/epa/topics/forms/water-permits/tax-certification

I. Applicant Information

Company: Mike Endress

Person Authorized to Receive Certification

Person to Contact for Additional Details

Name: Mike Endress

Name: same

Street Addr: 10740 Antioch Rd

Street Addr: _____

City: Tremont State: IL ZIP: 61568

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: 309-657-6344 ext: _____

Phone: _____ ext: _____

Email: endress.michael58@gmail.com

Email: _____

II. Livestock Operation Information

Site Location

The location of the parcel of land where the facilities are located and given by quarter section, township, range and county must be provided. The Public Land Survey System information is available on county plat maps or at www.isgs.illinois.edu/plss

Quarter Section: NW Township: 23S Range: 4W Prime Meridian: 3RD County: Tazewell

Municipality Name: Section 1

Township Name: _____

Street Address: 10740 Antioch Rd

City: Tremont State: IL ZIP: 61568

Property Index Number(s): 17-17-01-100-009

Add PIN

Del. PIN

A property index number (PIN) for the parcel of land where pollution control facilities are located is required. If multiple PINs are applicable to the requested facilities, you must identify all applicable PINs in the above line and in Section III below. If you do not know your PIN you may obtain it from your records or your County's tax assessors website which may be found on the Illinois Department of Revenue website at www2.illinois.gov/rev/Individuals/Pages/IllinoisCounties.aspx

Livestock Activities: Provide descriptions of the livestock operations including type of animals at the site. (Text box will expand.)

The structure is a cattle bedpack barn where animals are housed on a concrete bedpack, working, and scrape alley areas with an at grade concrete waste storage area.

Pollutant Sources: Identify potential sources of water pollution that are being controlled (i.e., beef feedlot runoff, swine manure, silage leachate, etc.). Provide estimated quantities of each pollutant that is produced in gallons per year. (Text box will expand.)

Cattle Manure is the potential source of water pollution that is being controlled.
Approximately 432 tons of manure is produced annually.

Are the pollutants collected by the facility and applied?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If No, provide a description of the final disposition of the pollutants which are collected by the facility.

III. Pollution Control Facility Information

Applicant must ensure each requested pollution control facility is represented accurately in both Part A and Part B of this Section.

Part A. Operational Diagram

Using the space provided below or on a separate sheet of paper, provide a plan sketch or map of the livestock operation scaled to show the location and layout of all the requested facilities. All requested facilities must be clearly identified on this diagram. Each facility should be labeled with the pollution control facility number identified in Part B of this Section and primary dimensions to help distinguish between other requested facilities. Please include labels of roadways, downstream waterways, other important landmarks and a north seeking arrow.

☒ Check this box if the required diagram was completed on a separate sheet and attached to this application.

Part B. Pollution Control Facility Data

For each separate requested pollution control facility in this application, provide written or typed responses to all of the following questions. Use the button below the questions to add blank questions for each additional requested facility.

Pollution Control Facility Number 1

Name of pollution control facility: Mike Endress

Provide a physical description including all pertinent dimensions (length, width, depth, diameter), construction materials (e.g. steel, HDPE, concrete block, etc.), and rating (e.g. 10 HP centrifugal pump). (Text box will expand.)

See Attached

Is the requested facility used 100 percent for elimination, prevention, or reduction of water pollution?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If No, list all other uses of the facility and provide a use-percentage estimate for each of those other uses.

Original cost of the pollution control facility: \$126,832.

Date of installation or status of installation: 10-30-2024

Property Index Number (PIN): 17-17-01-100-009

Applicable Illinois EPA permit number(s): N/A

Are supplemental diagrams or construction drawings for this pollution control facility attached to the application? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please label the diagram with the specific pollution control facility number identified above.

Click "Add a Facility" to add another set of facility questions for each requested facility. A number will automatically be assigned to the additional facility. Please use this number when labeling facilities in the diagram required in Part A of this Section. Handwritten submittals must also include one set of questions per requested pollution control facility. Use the "Delete last Facility" button to remove excess questions.

Add a facility

Delete last facility

IV. Discharge Point Locations and Receiving Waters

Provide a written description of the surface water drainage characteristics of the operation which may convey wastewater or polluted stormwater runoff from the facility to downstream waterways. Identify the location(s) on the property at which runoff or surface discharge leaves the property.

The facility is located at a high point in the field and all surface waters drain away from the facility.

Identify local ditches, streams, rivers, ponds or lakes that may receive wastewater or polluted stormwater runoff from the operation. Also identify any named waterways that are immediately downstream from the local waterway.

The closest stream is straight North of the facility approximately 410'. This drainage eventually enters the Mackinaw River to the south of the facility.

V. Approvals of Application and Signature

The information on this form and attachments is submitted in accordance with the Illinois Property Tax Code, as amended, and to the best of my knowledge is true and correct.

Any person who knowingly makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent material statement, orally or in writing, to the Illinois EPA commits a Class 4 felony. A second or subsequent offense after conviction is a Class 3 felony. (415 ILCS 5/44(h))

Michael Endress

Printed Name

owner/operator

Title

Michael Endress

Signature

April 29, 2025

Date

VI. Submittal of Your Application

Completing this Form: The absence of information requested in this form may result in denial of your application for tax certification. If information is omitted, Agency staff will determine when and if such information or data is essential and may contact you to obtain this information to complete its review. This application form may be completed and stored locally in electronic form for future printing. Electronic submittal or email submittal of this form is not authorized. If handwritten, the form must be legibly completed.

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Please mail the completed and signed form and necessary attachments to:

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Attention: Permit Section
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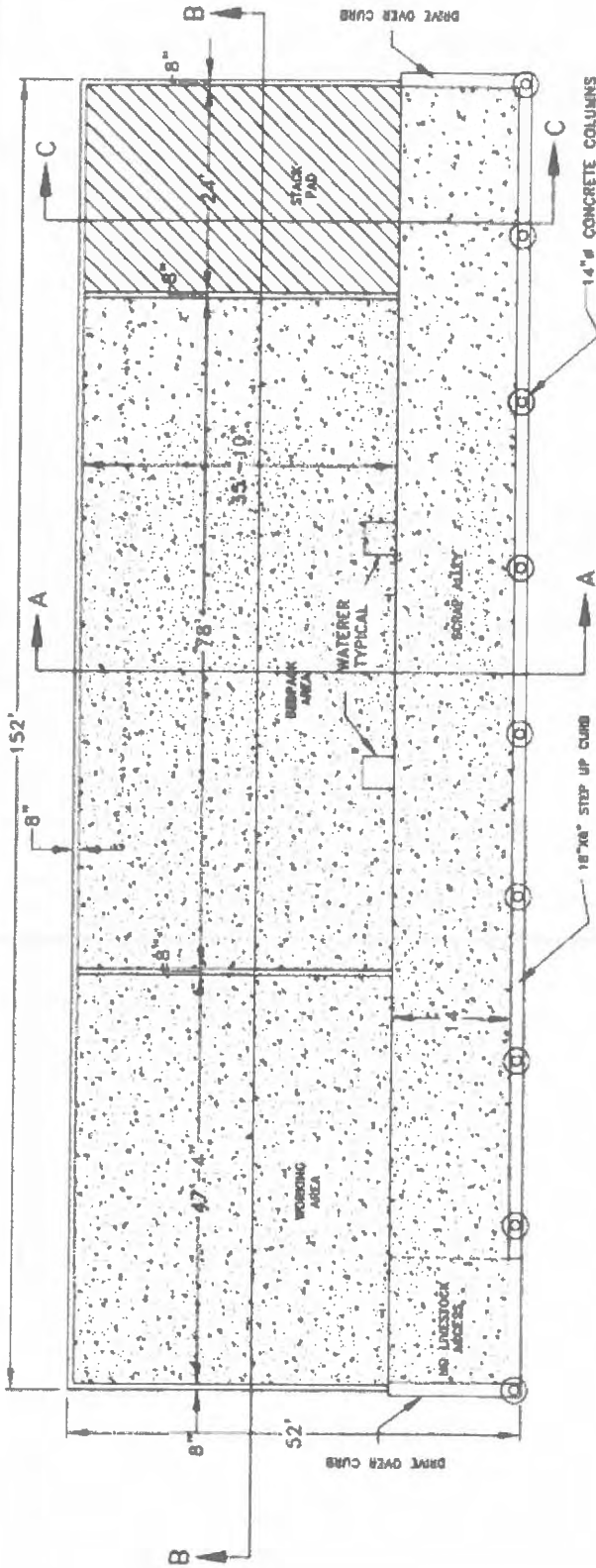
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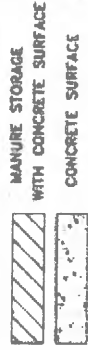
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 6' WALL HEIGHT IN STACK PAD AREA ALL
 COVERED BY ROOF
 FLOOR ELEVATION IS 100.0

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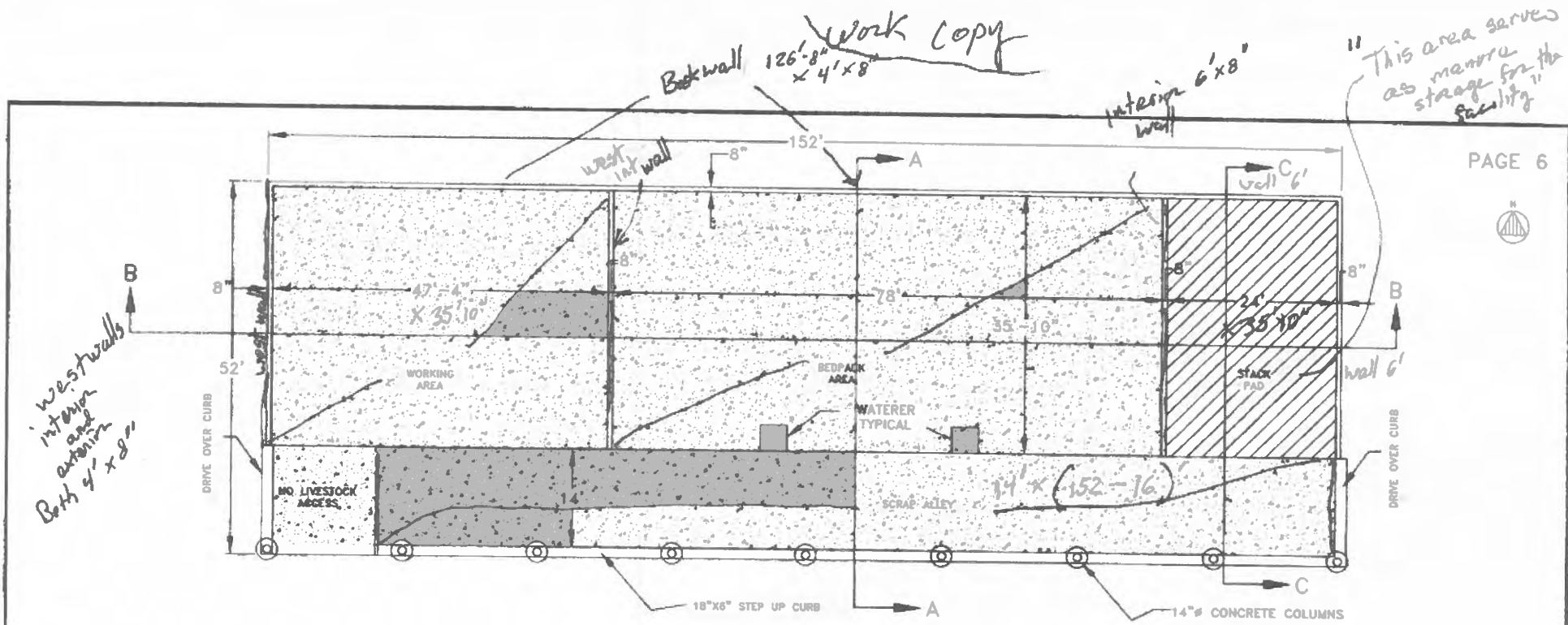
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PLAN VIEW BEDPACK BARN

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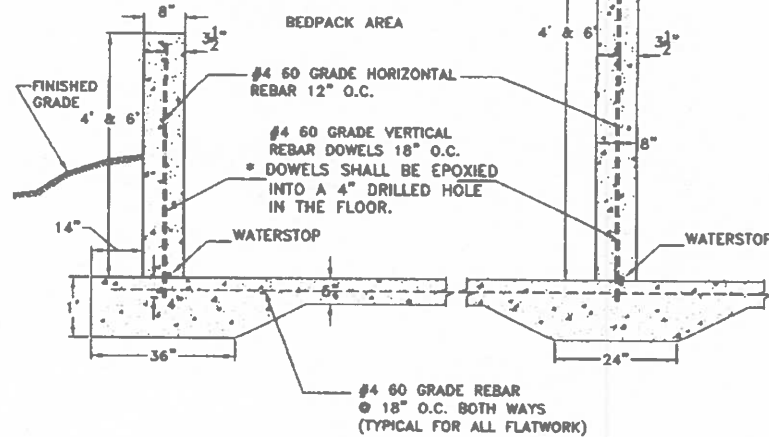
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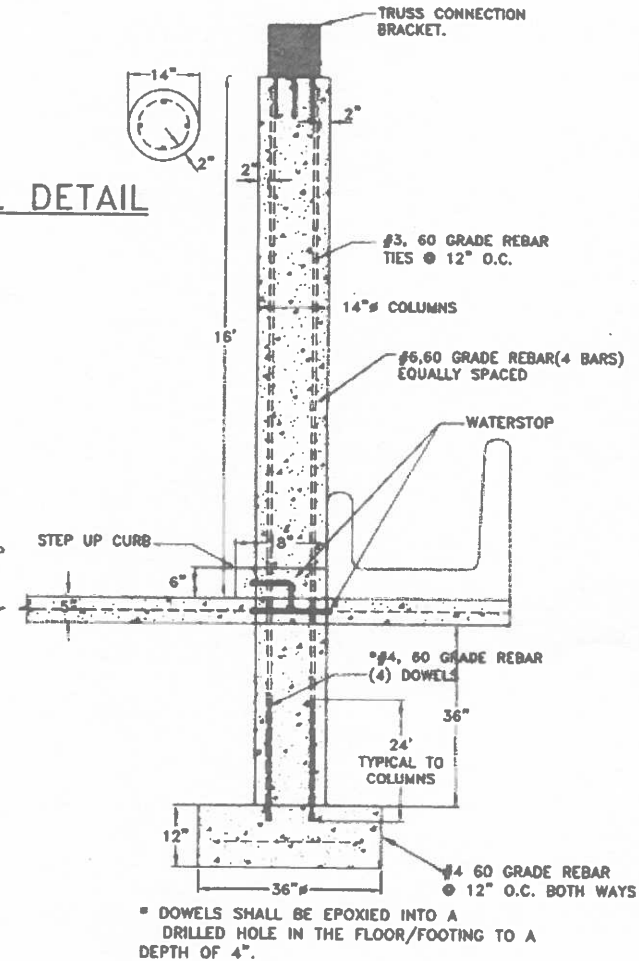
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EXTERIOR WALL DETAIL



INTERIOR WALL DETAIL



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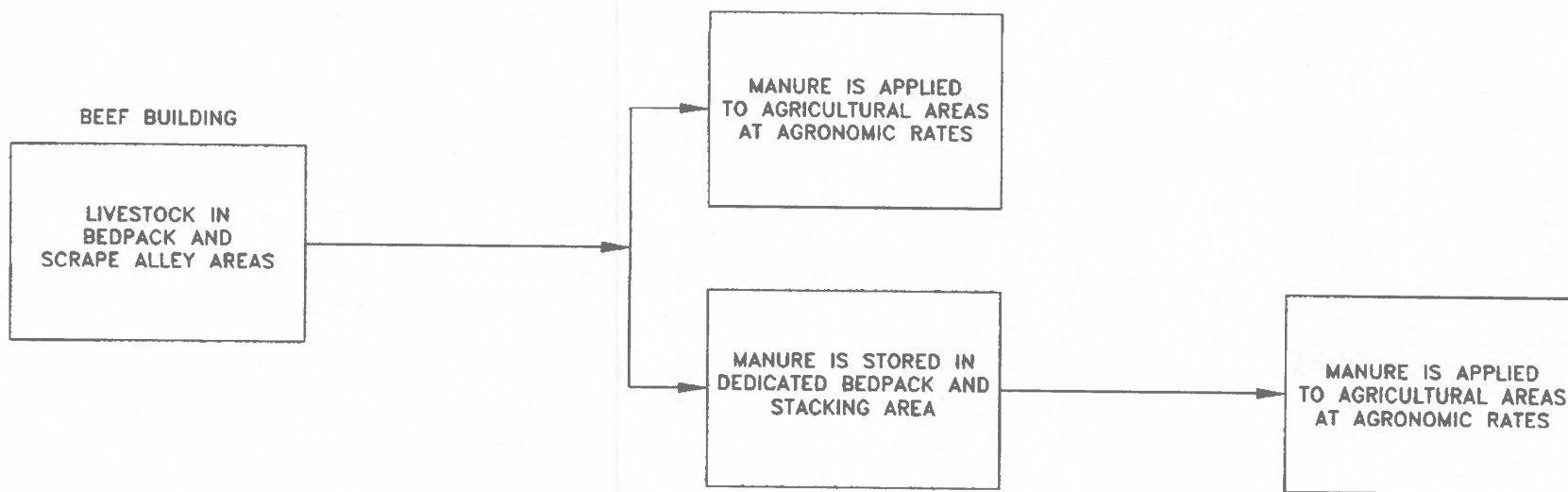
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POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY
PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM





● BENCH MARK
ELEV = 100.0

152'

52'

● ELEV
=100.0

20'



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From: Mike Endress <endress.michael58@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 6, 2025 5:55 PM
To: Coulton, Sarah N.
Cc: Kari Fraley
Subject: Re: [External] RE: Tax Certification Application TC-152689 Endress Cattle Farm

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Ok. Got it. Thanks. The curb on that door is 8'2" wide, 6" height, 25" width
Mike

On Fri, Jun 6, 2025 at 4:58 PM Coulton, Sarah N. <Sarah.Coulton@illinois.gov> wrote:

Hello Mike,

Please see the attached highlighted portion of the description.

From: Mike Endress <endress.michael58@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 6, 2025 4:48 PM
To: Coulton, Sarah N. <Sarah.Coulton@illinois.gov>
Cc: Kari Fraley <kfraley@fwieng.com>
Subject: Re: [External] RE: Tax Certification Application TC-152689 Endress Cattle Farm

What is the roll curb? Is that the curb step in front of the bunks?

On Fri, Jun 6, 2025 at 2:51 PM Coulton, Sarah N. <Sarah.Coulton@illinois.gov> wrote:

Thank you, Kari.

I will also need the length, width, depth dimensions for the roll curb attached to the cattle work area.

Sarah

From: Kari Fraley <kfraley@fwieng.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2025 1:12 PM

To: Coulton, Sarah N. <Sarah.Coulton@Illinois.gov>
Cc: 'Mike Endress' <endress.michael58@gmail.com>
Subject: [External] RE: Tax Certification Application TC-152689 Endress Cattle Farm

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Thanks

Kari Fraley

Agricultural Engineer

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From: Coulton, Sarah N. [<mailto:Sarah.Coulton@Illinois.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2025 10:32 AM
To: kfraley@fwieng.com
Subject: Tax Certification Application TC-152689 Endress Cattle Farm

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Sincerely,
Sarah

Sarah Coulton
Environmental Protection Specialist
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Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Bureau of Water
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Based on information provided and best professional judgement the following features would qualify for certification

- Scrape Alley floor (concrete) 14' x 136'
- Bed pack Area concrete floor 78' x 35'-10"
- Manure Stack Area concrete floor and three walls
24' x 35'-10" floor
8" thick 6' high walls surrounding this area
- Working Area floor (concrete) 47'-4" x 35'-10"
- The portion of the Building over the Manure Stack Area mentioned above and the two concrete columns supporting that portion of the Building
- The concrete Drive over curbs at both ends of the scrape alley, and
- The 18" x 6" step up curb spanning the entire distance of the front of the building.

Other features that are described in the application that are not determined to have a primary purpose of pollution control based on information provided and best professional judgement are the following:

- The portion of the building over the working area, bedpack area and scrape alley and the exterior walls and the concrete columns not specifically approved ^{cont} above.

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These features which include roofing and all supporting structural elements have the primary purpose of providing shelter from the elements for the livestock ~~growing~~ operation within the building.

The ultimate goal of the livestock operation is to generate income for the owner or shareholders.

While the roof structure does provide obvious functions that ~~reduce~~ or ~~eliminate~~ precipitation related water pollution, it also provides functions that support development and health of the livestock and it functions to consolidate efforts of the operator to maintain the animals.

Not only does ~~the~~ watering and feeding of the livestock occur below the roof, the animals also ~~benefit~~ shelter from inclement weather and benefit from the ~~it provides~~ from the hot sun.

Similarly, the exterior walls ~~provide~~ ^{not only} support the roof structure, but also provide functions that directly benefit livestock health. ~~and~~ Such functions include sheltering livestock from wind and blowing rain and provide security against predators.

Given that the application ~~does not~~ provides no evidence that these features have a primary purpose of pollution control and given the self evident rational provided above, that is, that ^{primarily} these features function as livestock production enhancements in support of the ultimate goal of the livestock operation, the Agency finds that such features do not have a primary purpose of pollution control.



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April 3, 2025

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RE: Mike Endress

To Whom it May Concern:

Frank & West is submitting an application for certification of property tax treatment for pollution control facility on behalf of the Mike Endress facility.

If you have any further questions or comments regarding the Mike Endress facility non-lagoon livestock waste handling facility, please advise.

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Kari Fraley, E.I.
Agricultural Engineer

Attachment: Application for Certification

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned attorney at law, hereby certify that I have served on the date of January 7, 2026 the attached **NOTICE, MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE, *INSTANTER*, and AMENDED RECOMMENDATION OF THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**, upon the following persons by causing to be mailed a true copy thereof in an envelope duly addressed, bearing proper first class postage, and deposited in the United States mail at Springfield, Illinois:

Mike Endress
10740 Antioch Road
Tremont, Illinois 61568

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