

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
) R2024-017
PROPOSED CLEAN CAR AND)
TRUCK STANDARDS) (Rulemaking – Air)
)

NOTICE OF FILING

TO:

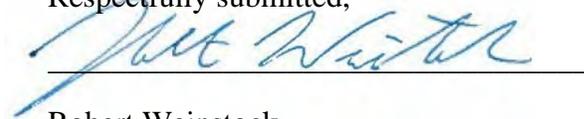
Don Brown Clerk of the Board Illinois Pollution Control Board 60 East Van Buren Street, Suite 630 Chicago, Illinois 60605 don.brown@illinois.gov	Vanessa Horton & Carlie Leoni Hearing Officers Illinois Pollution Control Board 60 East Van Buren Street, Suite 630 Chicago, Illinois 60605 Vanessa.Horton@Illinois.gov Carlie.Leoni@Illinois.Gov
Renee Snow General Counsel Illinois Department of Natural Resources One Natural Resources Way Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271 renee.snow@illinois.gov	Caitlin Kelly Assistant Attorney General Office of the Attorney General 69 West Washington Street, Suite 1800 Chicago, Illinois 60602 Caitlin.Kelly@ilag.gov
Alec Messina Melissa S. Brown HeplerBroom LLC 4340 Acer Grove Drive Springfield, Illinois 62711 Alec.Messina@heplerbroom.com Melissa.brown@heplerbroom.com	Jason E. James Assistant Attorney General Office of the Attorney General 201 West Point Drive, Suite 7 Belleville, Illinois 62226 Jason.James@ilag.gov

<p>Gina Roccaforte, Dana Vetterhoffer, & Sarah McKavetz Assistant Counsel / Deputy General Counsel / Assistant Counsel Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 250 West Iles Avenue P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794 Gina.Roccaforte@Illinois.gov dana.vetterhoffer@illinois.gov sarah.mckavetz@illinois.gov</p>	<p>Kara M. Principe Michael J. McNally Melissa L. Binetti Indiana Illinois Iowa Foundation for Fair Contracting 6170 Joliet Road, Suite 200 Countryside, Illinois 60525 kprincipe@iiffc.org mmcnally@iiffc.org mbinetti@iiffc.org</p>
<p>Matt Wells & Don Schaefer Vice President & CEO Mid-West Truckers Association 2727 North Dirksen Parkway Springfield, Illinois 62702 mattw@midwesttruckers.com dons@midwesttruckers.com</p>	<p>Lawrence Doll Legal Counsel Illinois Automobile Dealers Association 300 West Edwards Street, Suite 400 Springfield, Illinois 62704 ldoll@illinoisdealers.com</p>
<p>Jennifer Thompson & Pamela Wright Legislative Affairs / General Counsel Office of the Secretary of State 213 State Capitol Springfield, Illinois 62756 Jthompson@ilsos.gov Pwright@ilsos.gov</p>	<p>Fred Turatti & Matthew Fuller Senior Director Fuel & Vehicle Policy / Policy Analyst American Fuel and Petrochemical Manufacturers 1800 M Street, NW, Suite 900 North Washington, D.C. 20036 fturatti@afpm.org mfuller@afpm.org</p>

Please take notice that I have today filed with the Illinois Pollution Control Board the following documents: Rule Proponents' Status Report and Certificate of Service, a copy of which is served upon you.

Date: March 5, 2026

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Weinstock

(312) 503-1457

robert.weinstock@law.northwestern.edu

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
)
PROPOSED CLEAN CAR AND) R2024-017
TRUCK STANDARDS) (Rulemaking – Air)

RULE PROPONENTS' STATUS REPORT

Rule Proponents¹ submit this status report in accordance with the Board's September 18, 2025, Order (the "Stay Order"), in which the Board stayed this rulemaking and directed Rule Proponents to provide status reports every six months, starting on March 5, 2026. The Board stayed this rulemaking proceeding "until the resolution of *State of California, et. al v. United States, et. al*, No. 4:25-cv-04966-HSG (N.D. Cal., filed June 12, 2025) or until the Board orders otherwise." Stay Order at 11.

The Board entered this stay to await the resolution of a challenge brought by eleven states—California, Colorado, Delaware, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Washington—to the legality of three "Joint Resolutions of Congress 'disapproving' the ACC II, ACT and Low NOx waivers." Stay Order at 10. That litigation remains ongoing.

As the Board is aware, the *California v. United States* litigation began on June 12, 2025. The State Plaintiffs filed a First Amended Complaint on October 10, 2025. First Am. Compl., ECF. No. 157. Defendants filed a motion to dismiss on November 17, 2025. United States' Mot. to Dismiss Pls.' Am. Compl., ECF. No. 172. Plaintiffs filed their opposition on January 9, 2026,

¹ "Rule Proponents" include the Sierra Club, Natural Resources Defense Council, Environmental Defense Fund, Respiratory Health Association, Chicago Environmental Justice Network, and Center for Neighborhood Technology.

Pls.' Opp'n to Defs.' Mot. to Dismiss, ECF. No. 194, and defendants filed their reply on February 2, 2026. Reply in Support of United States' Mot. to Dismiss Pls.' Am. Compl., ECF. No. 227. On January 29, 2026, Sierra Club, Natural Resources Defense Council, and Environmental Defense Fund—each of which is a Rule Proponent here—filed an amicus brief in support of the State Plaintiffs. ECF No. 221. The motion to dismiss is now fully briefed, and argument was heard on February 19, 2026. *See* Order Granting Stipulation to Modify Briefing Deadlines and Hearing Date, ECF. No. 184. The Court has not yet ruled on the motion.

Since the Board issued its Stay Order in September 2025, the Trump administration's aggressive deregulatory actions have raised the stakes of this rulemaking proceeding and highlighted the importance of state action to protect local air quality and combat climate change. For example, on February 12, 2026, U.S. EPA revoked the greenhouse gas endangerment finding, which served as the basis for all U.S. EPA regulation of greenhouse gas emissions from motor vehicles and engines, and rescinded "all [] GHG emission standards from its regulations for light-, medium-, and heavy-duty on-highway vehicles and engines."² Due to these rollbacks, the benefits of adopting the Illinois Clean Car and Truck Standards proposed here would be far larger than Rule Proponents projected in 2024 because those benefits were calculated against a baseline of federal standards in effect at that time. *See* Statement of Reasons at 12-13; 59 (comparing proposed Illinois rules to then-existing federal emissions standards); *id.* at Ex.3 at 4 (noting the "business-as-usual" baseline case included existing federal fuel economy standards, which the Trump Administration has formally proposed to substantially weaken³).

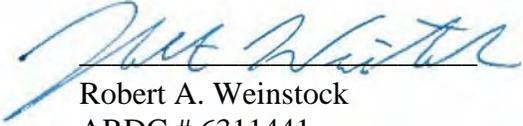
² *Rescission of the Greenhouse Gas Endangerment Finding and Motor Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emission Standards Under the Clean Air Act*, 91 Fed. Reg. 7686 (Feb. 18, 2026) (announcing repeal of 89 Fed. Reg. 27842 and 89 Fed. Reg. 29440; announcing modification of 88 Fed. Reg. 4296).

³ *The Safer Affordable Fuel-Efficient (SAFE) Vehicles Rule III for Model Years 2022 to 2031 Passenger Cars and Light Trucks*, 90 Fed. Reg. 56438 (Dec. 5, 2025).

Rule Proponents' next status report will be filed on September 6, 2026.

Dated: March 5, 2026

Respectfully submitted,



Robert A. Weinstock
ARDC # 6311441
Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
Environmental Advocacy Center
357 E. Chicago Ave.
Chicago, IL 60611
(312) 503-1457
robert.weinstock@law.northwestern.edu

*Counsel for Chicago Environmental
Justice Network and Respiratory Health
Association*

/s/

Nathaniel Shoaff
Sierra Club Environmental Law Program
2101 Webster Street, Suite 1300
Oakland, CA 94612
(415) 977-5610
athaniel.shoaff@sierraclub.org

/s/

Albert Ettinger
ARDC # 3125045
7100 N. Greenview
Chicago, Illinois 60626
(773) 818-4825
Ettinger.Albert@gmail.com

Counsel for Sierra Club

/s/

Joe Halso
Jim Dennison
Sierra Club Environmental Law Program
1536 Wynkoop Street, Suite 200
Denver, Colorado 80202
(303) 454-3365
joe.halso@sierraclub.org
(435) 232-5784
jim.dennison@sierraclub.org

*Counsel for Sierra Club, Natural
Resources Defense Council,
Environmental Defense Fund, and Center
for Neighborhood Technology*

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
) R2024-017
PROPOSED CLEAN CAR AND)
TRUCK STANDARDS) (Rulemaking – Air)
)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, on affirmation state the following:

That I have served the attached Notice of Filing; Rule Proponents' Status Report and Certificate of Service, by e-mail upon the following individuals listed at the e-mail addresses indicated:

TO:

Don Brown Clerk of the Board Illinois Pollution Control Board 60 East Van Buren Street, Suite 630 Chicago, Illinois 60605 don.brown@illinois.gov	Vanessa Horton & Carlie Leoni Hearing Officers Illinois Pollution Control Board 60 East Van Buren Street, Suite 630 Chicago, Illinois 60605 Vanessa.Horton@Illinois.gov Carlie.Leoni@Illinois.Gov
Renee Snow General Counsel Illinois Department of Natural Resources One Natural Resources Way Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271 renee.snow@illinois.gov	Caitlin Kelly Assistant Attorney General Office of the Attorney General 69 West Washington Street, Suite 1800 Chicago, Illinois 60602 Caitlin.Kelly@ilag.gov
Alec Messina Melissa S. Brown HeplerBroom LLC 4340 Acer Grove Drive Springfield, Illinois 62711 Alec.Messina@heplerbroom.com Melissa.brown@heplerbroom.com	Jason E. James Assistant Attorney General Office of the Attorney General 201 West Point Drive, Suite 7 Belleville, Illinois 62226 Jason.James@ilag.gov

<p>Gina Roccaforte, Dana Vetterhoffer, & Sarah McKavetz Assistant Counsel / Deputy General Counsel / Assistant Counsel Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 250 West Iles Avenue P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794 Gina.Roccaforte@Illinois.gov dana.vetterhoffer@illinois.gov sarah.mckavetz@illinois.gov</p>	<p>Kara M. Principe Michael J. McNally Melissa L. Binetti Indiana Illinois Iowa Foundation for Fair Contracting 6170 Joliet Road, Suite 200 Countryside, Illinois 60525 kprincipe@iiffc.org mmcnally@iiffc.org mbinetti@iiffc.org</p>
<p>Matt Wells & Don Schaefer Vice President & CEO Mid-West Truckers Association 2727 North Dirksen Parkway Springfield, Illinois 62702 mattw@midwesttruckers.com dons@midwesttruckers.com</p>	<p>Lawrence Doll Legal Counsel Illinois Automobile Dealers Association 300 West Edwards Street, Suite 400 Springfield, Illinois 62704 ldoll@illinoisdealers.com</p>
<p>Jennifer Thompson & Pamela Wright Legislative Affairs / General Counsel Office of the Secretary of State 213 State Capitol Springfield, Illinois 62756 Jthompson@ilsos.gov Pwright@ilsos.gov</p>	<p>Fred Turatti & Matthew Fuller Senior Director Fuel & Vehicle Policy / Policy Analyst American Fuel and Petrochemical Manufacturers 1800 M Street, NW, Suite 900 North Washington, D.C. 20036 fturatti@afpm.org mfuller@afpm.org</p>

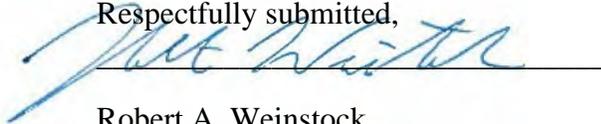
That my e-mail address is robert.weinstock@law.northwestern.edu.

That the number of pages in the e-mail transmission is 7.

That the e-mail transmission took place before 5:00 p.m. on the date of March 5, 2026.

Date: March 5, 2026

Respectfully submitted,



Robert A. Weinstock

(312) 503-1457

robert.weinstock@law.northwestern.edu