



nature of County Line Swine's operations. Section 103.302 also requires that the parties stipulate to facts called for by Section 33(c) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/33(c) (2024)), which bears on the reasonableness of the circumstances surrounding the alleged violations. County Line Swine does not affirmatively admit the alleged violations. The stipulation also addresses the factors of Section 42(h) of the Act (415 ILCS 5/42(h) (2024)), which may mitigate or aggravate the civil penalty amount. Under the proposed settlement, County Line Swine agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$5,000 within 30 days after the date of this order. The People and County Line Swine have satisfied Section 103.302. The Board accepts the stipulation and proposed settlement.

This opinion constitutes the Board's findings of fact and conclusions of law.

### **ORDER**

1. The Board accepts and incorporates by reference the stipulation and proposed settlement.
2. County Line Swine must pay a civil penalty of \$5,000 no later than Monday, July 20, 2026, which is the first business day following the 30th day after the date of this order. County Line Swine must pay the civil penalty by certified check or money order payable to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for deposit into the Environmental Protection Trust Fund. The case name and case number must appear on the certified check or money order.
3. County Line Swine must submit payment of the civil penalty to:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
Fiscal Services Division  
2520 W. Iles Ave.  
P.O. Box 19276  
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

County Line Swine must send a copy of the certified check or money order and any transmittal letter to:

Kevin Barnai  
Assistant Attorney General  
Environmental Bureau  
Illinois Attorney General's Office  
500 South Second Street  
Springfield, IL 62701

4. Penalties unpaid within the time prescribed will accrue interest under Section 42(g) of the Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/42(g) (2024)) at the rate set forth in Section 1003(a) of the Illinois Income Tax Act (35 ILCS 5/1003(a) (2024)).

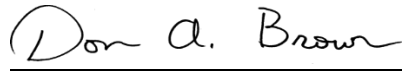
5. County Line Swine must cease and desist from future violations of the Act and Board Regulations that were the subject matter of the Complaint.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Section 41(a) of the Environmental Protection Act provides that final Board orders may be appealed directly to the Illinois Appellate Court within 35 days after the Board serves the order. 415 ILCS 5/41(a) (2024); *see also* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.300(d)(2), 101.906, 102.706. Illinois Supreme Court Rule 335 establishes filing requirements that apply when the Illinois Appellate Court, by statute, directly reviews administrative orders. 172 Ill. 2d R. 335. The Board's procedural rules provide that motions for the Board to reconsider or modify its final orders may be filed with the Board within 35 days after the order is received. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.520; *see also* 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.902, 102.700, 102.702. Filing a motion asking that the Board reconsider this final order is not a prerequisite to appealing the order. 35 Ill. Adm. Code 101.902.

<b>Names and Addresses for Receiving Service of Any Petition for Review Filed with the Appellate Court</b>	
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County Line Swine, Inc. Attn: Melissa Brown 4340 Acer Grove Ste A Springfield, IL 62711 <a href="mailto:Melissa.Brown@heplerbroom.com">Melissa.Brown@heplerbroom.com</a>	

I, Don A. Brown, Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, certify that the Board adopted the above opinion and order on June 18, 2026, by a vote of 4-0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Don A. Brown". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Don A. Brown, Clerk  
Illinois Pollution Control Board