

JUL 14 2004

BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS
Pollution Control Board

HOLLAND ENERGY, LLC-BEECHER CITY	-)
(Property Identification Numbers)
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Petitioner,) PCB 94-
) (Tax Certification)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)
PROTECTION AGENCY)
Respondent.)

Dorothy M. Gunn, Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board James R. Thompson Center 100 West Randolph Street, Suite. 11-500 Chicago, Illinois 60601

Steve Santarelli Illinois Department of Revenue 101 West Jefferson Post Office Box 19033 Springfield, Illinois 62794 James L. Perry, General Manager Holland Energy, LLC Rural Route 2, Box 270A Beecher City, Illinois 62414-0065

Dan Skowronski, Counsel Constellation Power Source Holdings 100 Market Place, Suite 500 Baltimore, Maryland 21202

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board an <u>APPEARANCE AND THE RECOMMENDATION</u> 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: July 13, 2004

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 1021 North Grand Avenue East Post Office Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276 217-782-5544

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APPEARANCE

The undersigned, as one of its attorneys, hereby enters an <u>APPEARANCE</u> on behalf of the 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.

- On December 31, 2002, 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-41-02. (Exhibit A)
- 2) The applicant's address is: Holland Energy, LLC
 Rural Route 3, Box 270A
 Beecher City, Illinois 62414-0065
- 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:

The Cycle Chemical Feed System consisting of chemical storage, pumps and appurtenances for the injection of an oxygen scavenger, neutralizing amine and

phosphate for the minimization of corrosion and scale buildup in the steam, condensate and feedwater piping systems. (These facilities are further described in Exhibit A.)

- 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).
- Based on the information in the application and the purpose of the facilities (reducing maintenance issues and a loss in operational efficiency due to corrosion and / or scale buildup in the steam, condensate, and feed water systems), it is the Illinois EPA's engineering judgment that the described facilities are not "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 not eligible for tax certification from the Board.

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

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency,

By:

James Allen Day

Assistant Counsel

Division of Legal Counsel

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PROOF OF SERVICE

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

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and mailing it from Springfield, Illinois on July 13, 2004 with sufficient postage affixed for first class mail.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME

this thirteenth day of July, 2004

Notary Public

OFFICIAL SEAL

BRENDA BOEHNER

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 11-14-2005