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To: Dorothy GONN, Clerk ILLINOIS Pollution Control BOARS 100 W. Randolph St James Thompson Center Juite 11-500 Chicago, IL. 60601-3218 Froy : Rebecca hawrence (Claimant) 6 SUN Pointe Bloomington, IL. 61704

RE: PCB 02-10

DETR MS GUNN, I HAVE ENCLOSES COPIES of ^{2/19/03} + ³/17/03 Correspondence WITH MR HAILOTAN, AND ASK THAT THE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD GUISE ME ON PROTOCOL TO FOILOW REGARDING CONTINUANCE / SEENG OF MY COMPLAINT DUE TO SERIOUS HEALTH ISSUES BEFORE ME PREVENTING ME FROM PARTICIPATING IN DAILY POUTINE, WORK & COMPLETING WORK ON THIS CASE for HEARING. MY LEHERS ATE SELF EXPLANATORY ON MY WISHES AT THIS TIME ON HOW TO PROCEED. I AM SEETING MY PHYSICIAN THIS WEER & WILL ASK for A Note VERAFING THE MEDICAL CONDITIONS PREVENTING PHYSICAL ARTIVITY W/ SLOW RECOVERY. I WILL for WARD THIS ON TO YOU & ME HAILOTAN THIS WEEK THIS ISSUE OF NOISE FROM RESPONDENT IS NOT RESOLVED. If MY CASE IS DISMISSION DUE TO MY HEALTH SITUATION, I WILL APPERI & DI A NEW COMPLAINT RESPONDENT. THANK YOU FOR YOU UNDERSTANDING

Suncerely,

Libecca Laurence

Wednesday, February 19, 2003

<u>TO</u>: Mr. Bradley Halloran, Hearing Officer Illinois Pollution Control Board James Thompson Center 100 W. Randolph St. Suite 11-500 Chicago, IL. 60601

FROM: Rebecca Lawrence (Complainant) 6 Sun Pointe Court Bloomington, IL. 61704

RE: PCB 02-10

Dear Mr. Halloran,

I am responding to your recent phone call regarding a phone conference on February 10, 2003. As you know I left a phone message for you advising you that I had been in the hospital and did not get home to receive your message until February 8, 2003, and February 10, 2003 was already spoken for for me with medical treatment appointments I had to honor. I also left a message that I would write you last week advising you of days I would be available for a 3-way telephonic conference. This is the first chance I have had to correspond with you. On February 12, 2003 I had to return to the hospital to receive IV medications, and transfusions and was released yesterday. As you know from prior correspondence, I have been quite ill. It has been very difficult for me to do much right now.

I am not staying at my home right now due to requiring assistance and having physical limitations. I can provide you with days I would hope to be available to discuss this noise complaint, and I understand that you and the Board need updates and need to move the case along. Perhaps it would be better to shelve this case for the next 4-5 months, as I am having to travel some distance out of town for medical care and hospitalizations. I am uncomfortable committing to dates for calls to you and possibly not able to follow through due to health care commitments that arise on my behalf.

Unless Mr. OConnor and his client have fixed the problem of noise pollution coming from the roof of the school, we will need to keep this case open to try and resolve the matter. It is my hope you and Board will be understanding of the circumstances.

People get sick, Mr. Halloran. If the school had resolved the noise problem years ago as I requested, I would not need to be spending my personal unpaid time to put this letter together, finding someone to type it for me, and even having to deal with this issue when I should be focusing on health matters currently before me.

Please advise at your convenience on whether you wish to try and set a date for a phone conference, with the understanding that I may need to cancel at late notice due to health care matters, or if we should delay the matter for several months until my health care improves and we can move on this case hopefully uninterrupted, if Respondent has not corrected the noise problem as of this date.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Lawrence

RSL/pm

CC: O'Connor Law Office

March 17, 2003

To: Mr. Bradley Halloran Illinois Pollution Control Board James Thompson Center 100 W. Randolph St. Suite 11-500 Chicago, IL. 60601 FROM: Rebecca Lawrence (complainant) 6 Sun Pointe Court Bloomington, IL. 61704

<u>RE: PCB, 02-10</u>

Dear Mr. Halloran,

I have enclosed a letter I mailed to you on February 19, 2003 still in the enclosed envelope which came back to me. As you know, and will note from the enclosed letter, I have been quite ill, and this has taken up most of my time and energy in recovery. As I looked at the envelope I realized that I made the mistake in the address explaining its return to me. It was typed 1100 Randolph, and not 100 Randolph. This was my mistake and I take responsibility for it, and not getting correspondence to you before now.

I had surgery again, on March 10, 2003 and I was released on March 15, 2003 and when I arrived home I saw the returned envelope in my mail.

I am not sure what to do about pursuing this noise matter. I will need you to advise me, or advise if I should contact Dorothy Gunn again. I heard the AC noise at the school last night so obviously Mr. O'Connor has not convinced his client, Unit 5, North Pointe Grade School to silence or buffer the AC fan noise. I had hoped they would take care of the problem during the November - March months so we could close out this matter before us with the respondent. Mr. Halloran, I would be happy to discuss the AC noise problems with the new Unit 5 School Superintendent if he would like to fulfill the promise Unit 5 made to me in 2001 regarding the noise if Mr. Steska is willing to correct the problem so we can dismiss this complaint. Mr. Steska, the school superintendent, has my permission to contact me to discuss the noise problems.

If Mr. Steska chooses not to contact me to resolve the noise complaint, it is my recommendation that we sideline this matter for the next 4-5 months until I know my health is more predictable and I can put forth the work necessary to prepare for the hearing, and commit to further phone conferences with all parties.

Right now, I am at the mercy of doctor appointments, and treatment out of town, so there is a lot of travel time for me, and still recovering while under medications which can affect my responses. Perhaps this is why the address mistake was made on your envelope, as I may not have read it right while under medications. I need to put my health first, Mr. Halloran. Obviously, Unit 5 has no interest in helping their neighbors, and correcting the noise problems coming from the school, so the noise will remain for us to pursue several months from now when I have medical authorization to begin doing business work again associated with this complaint.

I will apologize to you and the Illinois Pollution Control Board only for the continuance needed to finish this case. If Unit 5 would cooperate and control the AC fan noise they have forced upon its neighbors I would not have to be taking personal time to be contacting the IPCB and fighting with Unit 5 when I should be focusing on my health concerns.

I will await your recommendation on the next step for us to pursue.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Lawrence Cc Dorothy Gunn, Clerk of the IL. Pollution Control Board Martin O'Connor, respondent's counsel Dan Steska, Unit 5 Superintendent

