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**BEFORE THE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
Pollution Control Board**

COOPER OIL COMPANY,)
Petitioner,)
v.)
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL)
PROTECTION AGENCY,)
Respondent.)

PCB No. 04- 147
(LUST Appeal – Ninety Day Extension)

NOTICE

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

Mark Owens, Project Manager
United Science Industries
P.O. Box 360
6295 East Illinois Highway 15
Woodlawn, IL 62898-0360

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today filed with the office of the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board a REQUEST FOR NINETY DAY EXTENSION OF APPEAL PERIOD, copies of which are herewith served upon you.

Respectfully submitted,

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,
Respondent



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Special Assistant Attorney General
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NOW COMES the Respondent, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (“Illinois EPA”), by one of its attorneys, John J. Kim, Assistant Counsel and Special Assistant Attorney General, and, pursuant to Section 40(a)(1) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/40(a)(1)) and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 105.208, hereby requests that the Illinois Pollution Control Board (“Board”) grant an extension of the thirty-five (35) day period for petitioning for a hearing to June 1, 2004, or any other date not more than a total of one hundred twenty-five (125) days from January 28, 2004, the date of service of the Illinois EPA’s final decision. In support thereof, the Illinois EPA respectfully states as follows:

1. On January 27, 2004, the Illinois EPA issued a final decision to the Petitioner.
(Exhibit A)

2. On February 4, 2004, the Petitioner made a written request to the Illinois EPA for an extension of time by which to file a petition for review, asking the Illinois EPA join in requesting that the Board extend the thirty-five day period for filing a petition to ninety days. The final decision provided by the Petitioner indicates the letter was received on January 28, 2004. (Exhibit B)

3. The additional time requested by the parties may eliminate the need for a hearing in this matter or, in the alternative, allow the parties to identify issues and limit the scope of any hearing that may be necessary to resolve this matter.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, the parties request that the Board, in the interest of administrative and judicial economy, grant this request for a ninety-day extension of the thirty-five day period for petitioning for a hearing.

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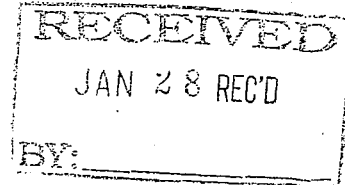
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RENEE CIPRIANO, DIRECTOR

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JAN 27 2004

Cooper Oil Company, Inc.
Attn: William Cooper
401 West Karsch Blvd., P.O. Box 657
Farmington, Missouri 63640



Re: LPC #0250105008 -- Clay County
Flora/Cooper Oil Company
624 East North
LUST Incident #890185
LUST FISCAL FILE

Dear Mr. Cooper:

The Agency has completed the review of the request for reimbursement of corrective action costs from the Illinois Underground Storage Tank Fund for the above-referenced facility. The invoices reviewed covered the period from October 1, 2001, to April 30, 2003. The amount requested was \$15,993.05.

The deductible amount for this claim is \$10,000.00, which was previously deducted from the Invoice Voucher dated April 29, 2003. Listed in Attachment A are the costs which are not being reimbursed from this request and the reasons these costs are not being reimbursed.

On May 28, 2003, the Agency received your complete request for payment for this claim. As a result of the Agency's review of this claim, a voucher for \$5,331.02 will be prepared for submission to the Comptroller's Office for payment as funds become available based upon the date the Agency received your complete request for payment of this claim. Subsequent claims that have been/are submitted will be processed based upon the date complete subsequent billings requests are received by the Agency.

This constitutes the Agency's final action with regard to the above invoices. An underground storage tank owner or operator may appeal this final decision to the Illinois Pollution Control Board (Board) pursuant to Section 22.18b(g) and Section 40 of the Act by filing a petition for a hearing within 35 days after the date of issuance of the final decision. However, the 35-day period may be extended for a period of time not to exceed 90 days by written notice from the

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owner or operator and the Illinois EPA within the initial 35-day appeal period. If the owner or operator wishes to receive a 90-day extension, a written request that includes a statement of the date the final decision was received, along with a copy of this decision, must be sent to the Illinois EPA as soon as possible.

For information regarding the filing of an appeal, please contact:

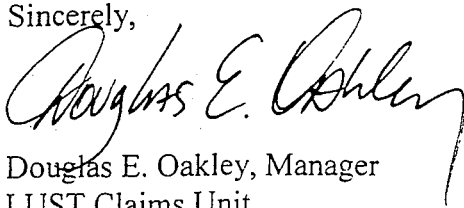
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If you have any questions, please contact Mike Heaton or Mike Lowder's staff at 217/782-6762.

Sincerely,



Douglas E. Oakley, Manager
LUST Claims Unit
Planning & Reporting Section
Bureau of Land

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cc: United Science Industries

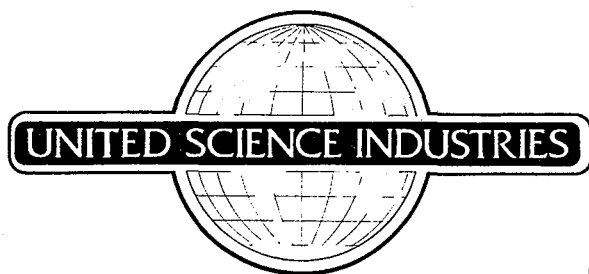
Attachment A
Technical Deductions

Re: LPC #0250105008 -- Clay County
Flora / Cooper Oil Co.
624 East North Ave.
LUST Incident No. 880340, 890185
LUST Technical File

<u>Item #</u>	<u>Description of Deductions</u>
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| 1. | \$10,662.03, deduction for an apportionment of costs. Illinois EPA has determined that an apportionment of 1/3 eligible and 2/3 ineligible is appropriate for this facility. This is based upon the fact that the tank(s) which leaked in 1986 is unknown and product loss/gain occurred in all three tanks, thus all three tanks are assumed to have leaked. One of these three tanks had a release in 1989 when the piping broke during tank relining. Therefore, eligible costs shall be 33.33% of the total costs. |
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February 4, 2004

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
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**Re: LPC# 0250105008--Clay Co.
Flora/Cooper Oil Company
624 East North
LUST Incident No. 8901085
ATTN: John Kim**

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Dear Mr. Kim:

United Science Industries, Inc. (USI), on behalf of our client, William Cooper, is requesting a 90-day extension to the 35-day appeal period in regards to the IEPA correspondence included.

I appreciate your time and consideration in this matter. If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter please contact me at (618) 735-2411 ext. 175.

Sincerely yours,

UNITED SCIENCE INDUSTRIES, INC.

Mark Owens
Project Manager

Enclosures

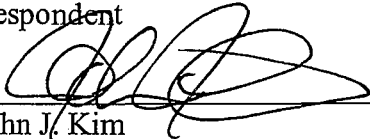
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned attorney at law, hereby certify that on March 3, 2004, I served true and correct copies of a REQUEST FOR NINETY DAY EXTENSION OF APPEAL PERIOD, by placing true and correct copies in properly sealed and addressed envelopes and by depositing said sealed envelopes in a U.S. mail drop box located within Springfield, Illinois, with sufficient First Class Mail postage affixed thereto, upon the following named persons:

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