

ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
June 24, 2004

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, )  
)  
Complainant, )  
)  
v. ) PCB 00-104  
) (Enforcement - Air)  
THE HIGHLANDS, L.L.C. and MURPHY )  
FARMS, INC. (a division of MURPHY )  
BROWN, LLC, a North Carolina limited )  
liability corporation, and SMITHFIELD )  
FOODS, INC., a Virginia corporation), )  
)  
Respondents. )

**HEARING OFFICER ORDER**

On June 24, 2004, all parties participated in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer. The complainant represented that revised penalty demands have been forwarded and reviewed by the respondents. It was represented that respondent, The Highlands, L.L.C. (Highlands) rejected the revised penalty demand. The complainant and Highlands to review the existing discovery prior to the next status conference and propose a revised discovery schedule if needed. It was represented that settlement discussions continue with respondent Murphy Farms, Inc. The attorney for respondent Murphy Farms, Inc. made an oral motion for time to file its answer to the complainant's second amended complaint to and including September 9, 2004. The complainant had no objection. That motion is granted.

The parties are reminded that a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer is scheduled for August 26, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. The status conference must be initiated by the complainant, but each party is nonetheless responsible for its own appearance. At the status conference, the parties must be prepared to discuss the status of the above-captioned matter and their readiness for hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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