ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD March 31, 2005

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
V.)	PCB 02-186
)	(Enforcement - Air)
VAN MELLE U.S.A., INC., an Illinois)	
corporation,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

HEARING OFFICER ORDER

On March 31, 2005, all parties participated in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer. The parties represented that they have reached a settlement and that a stipulation and proposal for settlement (stipulation) is being circulated for review and for signatures. Respondent is given to June 10, 2005, to replead its affirmative defense to *laches*, if needed, and the complainant is given to June 24, 2005, to answer respondent's affirmative defense number 2 not addressed in the Board order of March 4, 2004, if needed.

The parties are directed to participate in a telephonic status conference with the hearing officer on May 18, 2005, at 11:00 a.m. The status conference must be initiated by the complainant, but each party is nonetheless responsible for their 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. If, however, a stipulation is filed prior to the next status conference, the conference will be cancelled without further order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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