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Respectfully submitted,

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**YORKVILLE'S REPLY IN SUPPORT OF ITS MOTION IN LIMINE # 1**

Fox Moraine claims Yorkville would have the Board establish “a bright line test whereby failure to move for disqualification of a local decision maker is deemed a conclusive waiver” of bias “even if knowledge of such bias did not exist at the time of the local public hearing.” (Resp., ¶ 6.) Fox Moraine erects this straw man because it knows that it waived issues of bias and prejudice as to every Council Member other than Burd and Spears and it now seeks to do anything it can to avoid the consequences of its inaction.

**I. FOX MORaine BELIEVED DURING THE LANDFILL SITING HEARINGS THAT THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS WERE BIASED AND HAD PREJUDGED ITS SITING APPLICATION.**

As Yorkville noted in its motion in limine, it is well-settled that a party waives its ability to challenge issues related to bias or prejudice by failing to raise them at the earliest opportunity. *Peoria Disposal Co. v. Peoria County Bd.*, PCB No. 06-184, 2007 Ill. ENV LEXIS 250, at \*58 (June 21, 2007). If the party learns of an issue related to bias during the hearings on a siting application, the party must raise the issue during those hearings or waive it. *Id.* at \*60 (noting that petitioner waived issue of potential bias from a statement “quoted in a local newspaper” by failing to raise it during initial hearing on siting application). The Supreme Court has held that it would be unfair to allow a party to sit on its belief of bias without asserting it at

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the earliest opportunity: "To allow a party to first seek a ruling in a matter and, upon obtaining an unfavorable one, permit him to assert a claim of bias would be improper." *E & E Hauling, Inc. v. Pollution Control Bd.*, 107 Ill. 2d 33, 38-39 (1985).

Fox Moraine now argues that it did not know in April or May 2007 that some Yorkville City Council members might be biased or prejudiced against granting its landfill siting application. But its claims are belied by its principal's admissions in his recent deposition. Don Hamman, one of the owners of Fox Moraine, testified that he saw on April 15, 2007 an Aurora BeaconNews article of the same date in which Walter Werderich, Arden Plocher, and Robyn Sutcliff were quoted regarding the landfill issue. (Hamman Dep. 12:18-13:17, attached as Exh. A). Upon reading the article on April 15, 2007, Hamman believed that Werderich, Plocher and Sutcliff were biased against the landfill. He also believed they were biased because he allegedly saw them wearing anti-landfill buttons or posting anti-landfill signs at various times during the landfill siting hearings. (Exh. A at 15:9-16:1; 16:22-17:19; 17:24-19:9). Moreover, Hamman further testified that as of April 17, 2007, he had seen "numerous" articles that he felt established that Council Members were biased against the landfill. (Exh. A at 19:18-20:11).

In its Response, Fox Moraine downplays the role of Jim Burnham, one of the main members of Hamman's and Fox Moraine's landfill team. Burnham acted as Fox Moraine's spokesperson on landfill issues during the hearings, helped prepare Fox Moraine's landfill siting application, engaged expert witnesses for the application and hearings, met with attorneys, and attended the hearings. (Burnham Dep. 12:7-15:4, 16:13-17:15, attached as Exh. B). As shown in Yorkville's Motion, Burnham, and therefore Fox Moraine, believed at the time of the landfill hearings that every Council Member who ended up voting against the application was biased against Fox Moraine. (Motion, ¶¶ 8-9). *See, e.g., Lease Resolution Corp. v. Larney*, 308 Ill.

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App. 3d 80, 86 (1<sup>st</sup> Dist. 1999) (noting that unless an agent's interests are adverse to the principal's, his knowledge is imputed to the principal).

### **II. FOX MORAINE HAD A "MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY" TO MOVE TO DISQUALIFY ANY COUNCIL MEMBERS IT FELT WERE BIASED BEFORE THE MAY 2007 VOTE.**

Fox Moraine disingenuously suggests that it did not have a "meaningful opportunity" to move to disqualify the Council members it felt were biased. Without citing to any authority, it suggests that it needed some minimum amount of time to move to disqualify the Council members. But Fox Moraine moved at the beginning of the hearing to disqualify then-Council Member Valerie Burd and Council Member Rose Spears, without arguing that it needed more time to compose the motion. Fox Moraine knew both how to write and file such a motion but also knew of all the information it would need to put in the motion days before the close of the April 2007 hearings.

As noted above, Hamman believed as of April 15, 2007, that Werderich, Plocher, and Sutcliff were biased and had prejudged the application. These three candidates were elected two days later on April 17, 2007, and Fox Moraine knew that they would be voting on the application. As Hamman agrees, Fox Moraine could have moved to disqualify those Council members before the landfill hearings closed on April 20, 2007, and it also could have filed a motion during the post-hearing comment period, which ran until May 21, 2007. (Exh. A at 66:5-24).<sup>1</sup> Fox Moraine knew that the City Council would be ruling on its motion to disqualify Burd and Spears at the public meetings to discuss the application, which were held on May 23 and May 24, 2007. (May 23, 2007 Tr. of City Council Meeting, 8:3-11; 13:5-14:2, attached as Exh.

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<sup>1</sup> Moreover, Fox Moraine knew at the time it filed its landfill siting application that several Council members were up for reelection in April 2007. (Exh. A at 7:24-10:15, Moose Dep. 31:1-9, attached as Exhibit C). Fox Moraine could have filed its application either earlier or later than the December 2006. (Exh. A. at 7:24-10:15). By choosing to file before the election, any heated concern by the public with the landfill during the election resulted entirely from Fox Moraine's choice to file just before that election.



**EXHIBIT A**



1 in December with elections four months or so in the  
2 offing?  
3 A. I have no idea why I have a managing  
4 partner group that chose to go forward. I don't  
5 micromanage my projects.  
6 Q. But you were under no deadline or  
7 anything, I understand, that made you file it by  
8 December 1st, '06; correct?  
9 A. What do you mean a deadline?  
10 Q. Any legal deadline?  
11 A. Not to my knowledge.  
12 Q. So you could have filed the application  
13 before December 2006; correct?  
14 A. I'm not aware of the environmental laws.  
15 Q. I'm saying, apart from any environmental  
16 laws, you could have filed the application with the  
17 City before December of -- before December of 2006;  
18 correct?  
19 A. I'm not sure.  
20 Q. What would have prevented you from filing  
21 it any earlier, if anything?  
22 A. Don't know.  
23 Q. So as you sit here, nothing that you know  
24 of that would have prevented Fox Moraine, LLC from

1 filing its landfill application earlier than  
2 December of 2006; correct?  
3 A. Repeat the question.  
4 MR. DOMBROWSKI: Read that back if you would,  
5 please.  
6 (Record read as requested.)  
7 MR. MUELLER: If you know.  
8 THE WITNESS: I don't know.  
9 BY MR. DOMBROWSKI:  
10 Q. Nothing that you know of; correct?  
11 A. Not that I know.  
12 Q. Anything that would have prevented Fox  
13 Moraine, LLC from filing the application later than  
14 December 2006?  
15 A. Nothing that I know of.  
16 Q. Did you assist in preparing Fox Moraine's  
17 interrogatory answers?  
18 A. No, I did not.  
19 Q. Did you assist in preparing Fox Moraine's  
20 responses to the document requests?  
21 A. No, I did not.  
22 Q. Were they ever shown to you?  
23 A. No.  
24 Q. You've never read them?

1 A. I have never read them.  
2 I have complete faith in my management  
3 team.  
4 Q. Are you aware, Mr. Hamman, that part of  
5 this landfill appeal -- strike that.  
6 In this landfill appeal, you're aware that  
7 Fox Moraine is claiming that the City Council was  
8 biased against it. You understand that?  
9 A. Repeat the question again.  
10 MR. DOMBROWSKI: Read that back, please.  
11 (Record read as requested.)  
12 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.  
13 BY MR. DOMBROWSKI:  
14 Q. And who on the City Council are you  
15 claiming was biased against Fox Moraine?  
16 A. Valerie Burd, Rose Spears.  
17 Q. Anyone else?  
18 A. No.  
19 Q. You're not claiming that Mr. Werderich was  
20 biased?  
21 MR. MUELLER: Are you asking for his personal  
22 knowledge or personal claims? Because, in that  
23 case, they're irrelevant.  
24 MR. DOMBROWSKI: I'm asking him as a

1 representative of Fox Moraine.  
2 MR. MUELLER: He's already testified that as a  
3 representative of Fox Moraine he doesn't  
4 micromanage and delegates those calls to his  
5 management team. You're welcome to ask him about  
6 his personal knowledge or beliefs.  
7 THE WITNESS: Could I ask a question?  
8 MR. DOMBROWSKI: Sure.  
9 MR. MUELLER: Sure.  
10 THE WITNESS: When you said Wally Werderich,  
11 are you talking about the newly board or the old  
12 board?  
13 BY MR. DOMBROWSKI:  
14 Q. I'm talking about the eight aldermen who  
15 voted on the application in May 2007.  
16 A. Well, in that case, Mr. Wally Werderich,  
17 he was biased as well.  
18 Q. All right. Let me show you what we've  
19 marked as Deposition Exhibit No. 7, which is Fox  
20 Moraine's second amended petition for review, and  
21 attached to that is the City's resolution denying  
22 the landfill application which has a list of the  
23 aldermen who voted. Do you see that there?  
24 A. Yes.



1 Q. All right. So you've mentioned three of  
 2 the nine people?  
 3 A. Well, in looking at this, it refreshes my  
 4 memory. Robyn Sutcliff, Wally Werderich, Joe  
 5 Plocher, as I recall there was a news article two  
 6 or three days prior to their -- the election, and  
 7 both of them based the landfill as part of their  
 8 election platform, they were against it. I believe  
 9 it was in the Aurora Beacon News, if I recall  
 10 correctly.  
 11 Q. And you saw that article when it appeared  
 12 the Sunday before the elections?  
 13 A. We get the Beacon News delivered daily,  
 14 yes.  
 15 Q. Okay. So you would have read that article  
 16 that day?  
 17 A. Oh, most definitely.  
 18 Q. Did you tell anyone on your management  
 19 team or landfill team what you thought of the  
 20 article?  
 21 A. I would have probably called, but I don't  
 22 recall if I did or not. Every time there was a  
 23 news article in either the Aurora Beacon News, I  
 24 would call Charles Murphy or Jim Burnham and tell

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1 them about these articles. I don't recall if I did  
 2 on that particular one, because they don't get the  
 3 subscription, the daily one, like I do.  
 4 Q. You recall calling either Mr. Murphy or  
 5 Burnham about this April 15th article?  
 6 A. I would have alerted them to it.  
 7 Q. And what would you have told them?  
 8 A. Take a look at this, what their platform  
 9 is. It was anti-landfill.  
 10 Q. And you say that you also called them  
 11 regarding other articles that -- in which you  
 12 thought indicated some bias by the City against Fox  
 13 Moraine?  
 14 A. Yes.  
 15 Q. Can you recall how many other articles  
 16 there would have been?  
 17 A. There would have been letters to the city  
 18 editor, et cetera, you know, by the various people,  
 19 um-hum.  
 20 Q. Anyone else on that list who you claim was  
 21 biased against the City?  
 22 A. Just those four.  
 23 Q. Okay. Well, you mentioned five, Burd,  
 24 Spears, Werderich, Sutcliff, and Plocher?

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1 A. Burd is not on here.  
 2 Q. Well, she signed it?  
 3 A. Well, but you pointed to this. She's not  
 4 there.  
 5 Q. If I misspoke or if I didn't mention it, I  
 6 misspoke. I meant to say the eight aldermen plus  
 7 the mayor.  
 8 A. Okay. It would be the mayor as well.  
 9 Q. All right. When did you first think that  
 10 Mr. Werderich was biased against Fox Moraine?  
 11 A. In seeing him around town, at functions,  
 12 he had the no-landfill buttons on him,  
 13 Q. And when did you see him wearing  
 14 no-landfill buttons?  
 15 A. At the meetings that I attended, the  
 16 hearings. I attended some of the hearings at the  
 17 high school. He had the buttons on.  
 18 Q. Now, were these the annexation hearings  
 19 you're talking about?  
 20 A. No. No-landfill.  
 21 Q. So these were the landfill hearings that  
 22 took place in March and April of 2007?  
 23 A. Yes.  
 24 Q. Something else that indicated to you

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1 Mr. Werderich was biased against Fox Moraine?  
 2 A. That's it.  
 3 Q. So when you saw him wearing these buttons  
 4 in March and April of 2007, I assume you shared  
 5 that with your landfill team?  
 6 A. No. Everybody could see it. I didn't  
 7 share it with anybody.  
 8 Q. Well, did you point out to Mr. Murphy or  
 9 Mr. Burnham or anyone else that Mr. Werderich was  
 10 wearing these buttons?  
 11 A. I did not.  
 12 Q. But you say you, yourself, certainly were  
 13 of the belief in March and April of 2007 that  
 14 Mr. Werderich was biased against the landfill;  
 15 correct?  
 16 A. Repeat the question.  
 17 MR. DOMBROWSKI: Read that back, if you would,  
 18 please.  
 19 (Record read as requested.)  
 20 THE WITNESS: Yes.  
 21 BY MR. DOMBROWSKI:  
 22 Q. How about Robyn Sutcliff, why do you say  
 23 she was biased against the landfill?  
 24 A. She was wearing the buttons as well.

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1 Q. Was this one button, was it different  
2 buttons?  
3 A. No. They all had the same logo.  
4 Q. And what was -- what was on the button?  
5 A. It was a white button with a circle,  
6 no-landfill, with a slash across it.  
7 Q. And when did you see Robyn Sutcliff  
8 wearing these buttons?  
9 A. At these landfill hearings.  
10 Q. In March and April of 2007?  
11 A. If that's the correct time when they were  
12 going on, yes.  
13 Q. Did you point that out to anyone on your  
14 landfill team?  
15 A. I did not.  
16 Q. But, again, it was your opinion at that  
17 time that she was biased against the landfill;  
18 correct?  
19 A. Yes.  
20 Q. How about Mr. -- anything else that  
21 supports your belief Robyn Sutcliff was biased  
22 against the landfill?  
23 A. No.  
24 Q. How about Mr. Plocher, what supports your

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1 belief that he was biased against the landfill?  
2 A. He had the buttons on as well, and he had  
3 the no-landfill signs in front of his residence.  
4 Q. Let's take the buttons first. When did  
5 you see him wearing the buttons?  
6 A. At the landfill hearings.  
7 Q. And you say he had anti-landfill signs in  
8 front of his residence?  
9 A. That's correct.  
10 Q. What did these signs say?  
11 A. No landfill.  
12 Q. How did you come to see these signs?  
13 A. Couldn't miss it. It's on the corner of  
14 Route 47 and Main Street.  
15 Q. How did you know that was his residence?  
16 A. Because it was where he claimed to live.  
17 Q. How did you know that he claimed to live  
18 there?  
19 A. Matter of public knowledge. His parents  
20 lived there.  
21 Q. So he was living with his parents?  
22 A. Yes.  
23 Q. How do you know they were his signs and  
24 not someone else's signs?

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1 A. I don't know that for a fact, but if he  
2 didn't want them there, you'd certainly take them  
3 down, you wouldn't condone them being there.  
4 Q. So you don't know who put up those signs?  
5 A. I do not.  
6 Q. Anything else that supports your belief,  
7 other than the buttons and signs, that Mr. Plocher  
8 was biased against the landfill?  
9 A. No.  
10 Q. And, again, this was your belief in March  
11 and April of 2007 that Mr. Plocher was biased;  
12 correct?  
13 A. Yes.  
14 Q. Did your landfill team have a or subscribe  
15 to a clipping service where they received articles  
16 regarding the landfill?  
17 A. I don't have any idea.  
18 Q. So by the time the vote was taken in the  
19 Yorkville elections on April 17th, how many  
20 articles do you think you would have -- how many  
21 articles do you think you had seen that indicated  
22 someone on the City Council or someone running for  
23 office was biased against the landfill?  
24 A. Numerous.

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1 Q. Meaning 15 to 20?  
2 A. Numerous.  
3 Q. More than 20?  
4 A. Numerous.  
5 Q. Give me an estimate.  
6 MR. MUELLER: He's told us numerous. If he  
7 didn't put a number on it, then he's not going to  
8 put a number on it.  
9 BY MR. DOMBROWSKI:  
10 Q. Can you put a number on it?  
11 A. No, I cannot.  
12 Q. Can you give me a range?  
13 A. Numerous.  
14 Q. So it could have been a hundred; correct?  
15 A. If you say so.  
16 Q. No. I'm not saying so. I'm asking you a  
17 question.  
18 MR. MUELLER: He's told you he can't put a  
19 number on it. Let's move on.  
20 BY MR. DOMBROWSKI:  
21 Q. He can put a number on it.  
22 Could it have been more than a hundred  
23 articles?  
24 A. No.

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**EXHIBIT B**



1 comments that were made during those meetings by  
2 some of the people that were in the public-comment  
3 portion of those meetings.  
4 BY MR. DOMBROWSKI:  
5 Q. Did you ask someone for copies of these  
6 transcripts or were they given to you?  
7 A. I asked George for the transcript for  
8 the -- the final vote by Yorkville. And the other  
9 two, one I found in some invoices for the project,  
10 one of them I found in the invoices for the  
11 project, and the other one I think it was forwarded  
12 to me by George, although I didn't request it.  
13 Q. Have you talked to anyone in preparation  
14 for your deposition today?  
15 A. I spoke with George, and that's it.  
16 Q. No one else other than Mr. Mueller?  
17 A. Not in preparation for this. I know that  
18 Charlie Murphy was deposed, but that's all that --  
19 Q. Have you talked to him since his  
20 deposition?  
21 A. I have.  
22 Q. And what did you two talk about?  
23 A. A variety of things, but nothing in regard  
24 to this.

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1 Q. Nothing in regard to the landfill appeal?  
2 A. Correct.  
3 Q. Nothing in regard to his deposition?  
4 A. No.  
5 Q. He didn't mention anything about his  
6 deposition?  
7 A. I asked how it went, but that was just  
8 general conversation.  
9 Q. And what did he say?  
10 A. He said it went -- it went fine. It was  
11 what it was.  
12 Q. Where do you work?  
13 A. I don't understand. Physically where do I  
14 work?  
15 Q. Yeah. Who do you work for?  
16 A. Myself.  
17 Q. What do you do?  
18 A. I'm a consultant for a variety of clients  
19 that I have.  
20 Q. What kind of consultant are you?  
21 A. I don't really know how to describe it.  
22 I do work for acquisitions, so companies  
23 that are looking to buy other companies need people  
24 to do due diligence, I do some of that. I do

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1 business modeling. I do some project development  
2 work similar to the role that I functioned with the  
3 Fox Moraine Landfill. I do some valuation reports  
4 for companies, and I participate in brokering of  
5 companies for sale to other interested buyers.  
6 Q. What is the name of your business?  
7 A. JDB Consulting Services, Inc.  
8 Q. And where is your business located?  
9 A. 4532 Seeley Avenue, S-e-e-l-e-y, Downers  
10 Grove, Illinois.  
11 Q. How long have you had the business?  
12 A. Five years in October.  
13 Q. And what's your relationship and the  
14 relationship of your business to Fox Moraine, LLC?  
15 A. They're a client of mine.  
16 Q. When were they first a client?  
17 A. September of 2004. Maybe around that time  
18 frame.  
19 Q. And what did you start doing for them in  
20 September of 2004?  
21 A. Pardon me. I misspoke.  
22 Could you repeat the question on Fox  
23 Moraine?  
24 Q. Yes. When did you first start doing work

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1 for Fox Moraine?  
2 A. I guess Fox Moraine was -- became an  
3 entity in 2006, maybe around March, so that's when  
4 I started doing work for Fox Moraine.  
5 Q. In March of 2006?  
6 A. Yes.  
7 Q. And what did you start doing for Fox  
8 Moraine in March of 2006?  
9 A. I was working on the Fox Moraine Landfill  
10 project for them.  
11 Q. And tell me everything you've done for Fox  
12 Moraine on this landfill project.  
13 A. Could you be more specific?  
14 MR. MUELLER: Kind of a broad question.  
15 BY MR. DOMBROWSKI:  
16 Q. Well, just tell me generally for starters  
17 what you've done for Fox Moraine on this landfill  
18 project?  
19 A. Participated in negotiations and the  
20 relationship with Fox Moraine and Groot.  
21 Participated in negotiations for the operation --  
22 the proposed operator of the landfill, Peoria  
23 Disposal. I participated in engaging the various  
24 consultants that were expert witnesses. And, as we

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1 proceeded to file an application, I participated  
2 in, you know, attending various county meetings,  
3 attending the various meetings in regard to 2000  
4 or, you know, Fox Moraine's application of, you  
5 know, petition for annexation, the -- the  
6 application for -- the formal application for --  
7 for the landfill.  
8 Q. So you helped put together the formal  
9 application for the landfill?  
10 A. I participated in -- I didn't put the  
11 thing physically together, but, yes, I under -- I  
12 was involved in preparing that application for  
13 submittal.  
14 Q. And that application was submitted to the  
15 City of Yorkville on December 1, 2006; correct?  
16 A. Yes.  
17 Q. Did you have anything to do with the  
18 landfill project after the application had been  
19 submitted?  
20 A. Yes.  
21 Q. And what was that?  
22 A. I was involved in the hearing process. I  
23 sat through all, if not most of the hearing itself.  
24 Met with the expert witnesses, the attorneys, was

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1 involved in the -- you know, the project management  
2 of that project in conjunction with Charlie Murphy.  
3 Q. So you went to all the landfill hearings;  
4 correct?  
5 A. I believe so.  
6 Q. And those were 23 or 24 in number?  
7 A. Something in that regard, yes.  
8 Q. Why did you go to all or most of all of  
9 the landfill hearings?  
10 A. Because I was involved in the project and  
11 that was part of my scope of participation.  
12 Q. Did you testify at any of those hearings?  
13 A. I did not.  
14 Q. So was it fair to say that you showed up  
15 to basically see what was going on and who was  
16 testifying as to what?  
17 A. Yes.  
18 Q. Did you have any involvement with the  
19 landfill project once the landfill hearings had  
20 ended?  
21 A. Yes.  
22 Q. And what was that?  
23 A. Dealing with various issues. I processed  
24 the invoices to have people paid. From time to

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1 time I interfaced with the attorneys that represent  
2 Fox Moraine and represent or participate in various  
3 discussions with the management and owners of Fox  
4 Moraine.  
5 Q. If the landfill is eventually approved,  
6 will you have any role in the landfill after that  
7 point?  
8 A. Can you be more specific?  
9 Q. Well, we're going through an appeal  
10 process. Should the landfill be approved and cited  
11 and become an operating landfill, will you have any  
12 role in the landfill?  
13 A. Not that --  
14 MR. MUELLER: Go ahead.  
15 THE WITNESS: Not that -- not that I've been  
16 told that I would.  
17 BY MR. DOMBROWSKI:  
18 Q. So as far as you know, you wouldn't have  
19 any role?  
20 A. I don't think that determination has been  
21 made by the owners of Fox Moraine, that once the  
22 landfill would be started, what my participation  
23 would be, if any, or not. I don't know.  
24 Q. Do you have any financial interest in the

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1 landfill project?  
2 A. Beyond consulting fees and a success fee,  
3 no.  
4 Q. So if it does get approved, you get some  
5 type of bonus or contingency?  
6 A. That's correct.  
7 Q. How long have you known Don Hamman?  
8 A. Probably -- I've met him from time to time  
9 starting in, you know, probably around 1995 range.  
10 Q. Do you have anything to do with his  
11 composting facility?  
12 A. I do not.  
13 Q. Now, I have seen you identified in  
14 newspaper articles as the spokesman for Fox  
15 Moraine, LLC; is that a fair characterization?  
16 A. There was a time when -- when I was  
17 interfacing with the reporters, and that was, I  
18 guess, known that if they wanted to ask questions,  
19 that I would be available, so, yes, I was a  
20 spokesman for the Fox Moraine Landfill, but not for  
21 everything.  
22 Q. Well, what then were you a spokesman for?  
23 A. Like I said, the Fox Moraine Landfill, but  
24 there was other issues that people reached out that

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1 didn't involve me, so I wasn't the spokesman for  
2 issues that I wasn't a spokesman for.  
3 Q. And what other issues are you talking  
4 about?  
5 A. Well, I guess if -- if you're -- if you  
6 look at a company spokesman, a company spokesman,  
7 largely, you know, they deal with -- with all  
8 external and sometimes internal discussions in  
9 regard to the company.  
10 I didn't -- I dealt with some of the  
11 reporters specifically in regard to the application  
12 or the hearing process from time to time, but not  
13 always. So there could be other issues that people  
14 needed to speak with Fox Moraine, the entity,  
15 about, but it didn't go through me.  
16 Q. Okay. How many times do you think you  
17 spoke with reporters beginning in March of '06  
18 through, let's say, the filing of this appeal,  
19 which was in July of '07?  
20 A. 25 times.  
21 Q. Let's go back to the three transcripts  
22 that you mentioned earlier. You said that you  
23 looked at those to see what members of the public  
24 had said at those public meetings; is that right?

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1 A. Not all, all the transcripts, no.  
2 Q. But the three or so transcripts you  
3 mentioned earlier is what I'm talking about.  
4 A. Yeah. But all those didn't have public  
5 comments in it.  
6 Q. But some of them did?  
7 A. One of them did.  
8 Q. Which one did?  
9 A. The re-annexation hearing or meeting  
10 transcript.  
11 Q. And did you find any comments in there by  
12 anyone from the public to be significant or  
13 relevant to this appeal?  
14 A. I thought that Todd Milliron's comments  
15 were a good example of how the public was  
16 interfacing with the -- with the council, and, you  
17 know, how they were presenting their side of the  
18 story and their -- their belief, I guess. And I  
19 thought that that -- a couple of the people that  
20 spoke in that regard was reflective of, you know,  
21 the level of just how nasty the process at the time  
22 had been going.  
23 Q. Well, what did Mr. Milliron say?  
24 A. Well, he -- at that particular -- at this

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1 particular exchange basically said that Don Hamman  
2 and, in conjunction, Fox Moraine had his hand in  
3 the back pocket of Mayor Prochaska, which, in my  
4 opinion was, you know, just an example of just the  
5 tactics that some of the people that were against  
6 the -- against the project, you know, presented  
7 their arguments and intimidated in some regards the  
8 various city council people.  
9 Q. How do you think Mr. Milliron intimidated  
10 the city council members?  
11 A. Well, I think it was an example of  
12 somebody would take a photograph out of the  
13 newspaper, which could have been anybody, and that  
14 photograph was taken out of context and basically  
15 defamed in some regard, at least in the way I look  
16 at things, not only Mr. Hamman, but also the mayor.  
17 Q. And as a matter of fact, Mr. Hamman sued  
18 Mr. Milliron for defamation; right?  
19 A. I believe so, yes.  
20 Q. And that case was dismissed; correct?  
21 A. I'm not -- I don't exactly recall the  
22 outcome.  
23 Q. Do you know anything about the outcome?  
24 A. I can't recall.

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1 Q. Do you have any idea if the suit is still  
2 ongoing?  
3 A. I do not know.  
4 Q. Any other comments from that transcript  
5 that you find relevant?  
6 A. I think George Gilson was another person  
7 that was outspoken in his opposition to the  
8 landfill project. And I thought that his comments  
9 were also caustic. I thought that that was the --  
10 the reason that I was looking at that particular  
11 transcript is I thought that that was the one where  
12 he basically stood up and said to the city council  
13 people that if you move forward on this landfill  
14 project that you're -- nobody is going to want to  
15 sit by you in church, and, you know, the  
16 neighborhood is watching. And I also thought it  
17 was one of the times when he said that, you know,  
18 voters are going to vote you out of office if you,  
19 you know, go forward with this. So I thought  
20 that -- I thought that is where he made some of  
21 those comments. And the one about the people  
22 sitting next to them in church wasn't in that  
23 transcript. I can't recall which one it is in, but  
24 it's in one of the transcripts. So I thought,

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**EXHIBIT C**





1 We've heard about him over and over and over again.  
2 No matter how many times we had to hear about it,  
3 we had to hear about it again.  
4 Q. But the city council did not permit people  
5 to testify, that was the hearing officer's role;  
6 right?  
7 A. I don't think any of them testified. A  
8 few of them did. I think Stan Lewinski or  
9 Lewinski, I may have pronounced that wrong,  
10 testified. But very few of them subjected  
11 themselves to testimony. Most of them got up and  
12 provided public comment.  
13 Q. And it was the hearing officer's role to  
14 say -- to recognize people who would be providing  
15 public comment; correct?  
16 A. Yes.  
17 Q. Did you have any input in deciding when to  
18 file the landfill application?  
19 A. Just had to get the application done by  
20 the date. Other than whether or not we were able  
21 to complete the technical work by the date, but  
22 other than that, no.  
23 Q. When you say "by the date," what do you  
24 mean?

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1 A. Several dates were discussed, and I don't  
2 remember the precise date. And the questions were,  
3 "Can you have it ready by this time?" And we said  
4 yes.  
5 Q. Okay. Who asked you to get it ready by a  
6 certain date?  
7 A. Mr. Murphy.  
8 Q. And what date was he shooting for?  
9 A. I don't recall. It was the date that we  
10 filed. Whenever, whenever that was.  
11 Q. That was December 1, 2006?  
12 A. It was a snowy day, I recall that. Yeah,  
13 it was the 1st of December. Yeah.  
14 Q. That was no legal deadline, though; was  
15 it?  
16 A. Well, in the fact that we had already  
17 noticed, I think we had some legal obligation to  
18 file on that date.  
19 Q. What do you mean you had already noticed?  
20 A. We had published a notice in the paper  
21 that we were going to file on that day.  
22 Q. But you could have -- there was no legal  
23 deadline to publish that notice; am I right?  
24 A. Not that I'm aware of.

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1 Q. So the landfill application could have  
2 been filed earlier, it also could have been filed  
3 later; correct?  
4 A. Yes.  
5 Q. And when you filed the application on  
6 December 1, 2006, you knew that the City of  
7 Yorkville would be holding elections in April of  
8 2007; correct?  
9 A. I was aware, yes.  
10 Q. Let me show you what has been marked as  
11 Yorkville Deposition Exhibit No. 3, which is Fox  
12 Moraine's interrogatory answers to this landfill  
13 appeal. And you have seen these before; correct?  
14 A. Yes.  
15 Q. And in the response to Interrogatory  
16 No. 1, you're listed as one of the four people who  
17 supplied information or documents used in preparing  
18 these answers; correct?  
19 A. Yes.  
20 Q. What did you do to help prepare Fox  
21 Moraine's interrogatory answers?  
22 A. I discussed them on the phone with  
23 Mr. Helsten.  
24 Q. Anything else?

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1 A. Not to my recollection, no.  
2 Q. Did you supply any documents?  
3 A. Not to my recollection, no.  
4 Q. Throughout the annexation and landfill  
5 process beginning in let's say September -- let's  
6 say beginning of September 2006, did you or anyone  
7 at Shaw Environmental subscribe to a newspaper  
8 clipping service to gather articles that were  
9 appearing in the press regarding the landfill?  
10 A. I subscribed to four or five different  
11 electronic and conventional press clipping  
12 services.  
13 Q. And what are those?  
14 A. Illinois Press Association, the Illinois  
15 Recycling Association, NSWMA.  
16 Q. What is that one?  
17 A. National Solid Waste Management  
18 Association. I think that's probably where I get  
19 most of them.  
20 Q. And during 2006, 2007, were you receiving  
21 articles regarding the proposed Fox Moraine  
22 landfill?  
23 A. Yes.  
24 Q. And where were those articles appearing?

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**EXHIBIT D**

1 UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE, ILLINOIS  
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 5 SPECIAL MEETING OF  
 6 THE CITY COUNCIL  
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 8 REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS had and testimony  
 9 taken at the hearing taken on May 23, 2007, at  
 10 the hour of 7:00 p.m., before Christine M.  
 11 Vitosh, C.S.R., at the Grande Reserve Elementary  
 12 School, Yorkville, Illinois.  
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1 (WHEEUPON, the  
 2 proceedings were  
 3 resumed as follows:)  
 4 MAYOR BURD: Calling the meeting to  
 5 order, would you please rise for the pledge?  
 6 (Pledge of  
 7 Allegiance)  
 8 MAYOR BURD: Roll call by the clerk,  
 9 please.  
 10 MS. PICKERING: Leslie.  
 11 ALDERMAN LESLIE: Here.  
 12 MS. PICKERING: Werderich.  
 13 ALDERMAN WERDERICH: Here.  
 14 MS. PICKERING: Golinski.  
 15 ALDERMAN GOLINSKI: Here.  
 16 MS. PICKERING: Plocher.  
 17 ALDERMAN FLOCHER: Here.  
 18 MS. PICKERING: Munns.  
 19 (No Response)  
 20 MS. PICKERING: Sutcliff.  
 21 ALDERMAN SUTCLIFF: Here.  
 22 MS. PICKERING: Besco.  
 23 ALDERMAN BESCO: Here.  
 24 MS. PICKERING: Spears.

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1 PRESENT:  
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 3 MAYOR VALERIE BURD,  
 4 MR. JASON LESLIE, Alderman,  
 5 MR. WALLY WERDERICH, Alderman,  
 6 MR. ARDEN "JOE" FLOCHER, Alderman,  
 7 MR. GARY GOLINSKI, Alderman,  
 8 MR. MARTY MUNNS, Alderman,  
 9 MS. ROBYN SUTCLIFF, Alderman,  
 10 MR. JOSEPH BESCO, Alderman,  
 11 MS. ROSE SPEARS, Alderman,  
 12 MR. PAUL JAMES, Alderman,  
 13 MR. JOHN CROIS, City Administrator,  
 14 MS. LISA PICKERING, City Clerk.  
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 16 ALSO PRESENT:  
 17 WILDMAN, HARROLD, ALLEN & DIXON  
 18 2300 Cabot Drive, Suite 455  
 19 Lisle, Illinois 60532  
 20 (630) 955-6594  
 21 BY: MR. MICHAEL M. ROTH,  
 22 appeared on behalf of the United  
 23 City of Yorkville.  
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1 ALDERMAN SPEARS: Here.  
 2 MS. PICKERING: Burd.  
 3 MAYOR BURD: Here.  
 4 (Enter Alderman  
 5 Munns)  
 6 MAYOR BURD: We have a quorum.  
 7 ALDERMAN MUNNS: Here.  
 8 MAYOR BURD: Would the city attorney  
 9 please introduce this case?  
 10 MR. ROTH: This is a special meeting  
 11 of the City Council of the United City of  
 12 Yorkville, Illinois, called for the sole purpose  
 13 of consideration of an application filed by Fox  
 14 Moraine, LLC, for a landfill siting approval  
 15 pursuant to 415 Illinois Compiled Statutes  
 16 Chapter 39.2 of the City of Yorkville.  
 17 Notice of tonight's meeting has  
 18 been given as required by law. By way of  
 19 background, on December 1st of 2006, Fox Moraine,  
 20 LLC, filed an application with the City for  
 21 siting approval of a solid waste landfill upon a  
 22 443-acre parcel of property located generally at  
 23 Route 71, four miles west of the intersection of  
 24 Route 71 and 47.

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1 The City appointed a hearing  
2 officer to conduct public hearings on the  
3 application in accordance with the standards and  
4 procedures set out in Section 39.2, rule upon  
5 evidentiary issues and motions, and to make  
6 substantive findings and recommendations to the  
7 City Council as to the application.

8 Public hearings were then held  
9 on 23 days from March 7th, 2007, through  
10 April 20th of 2007, at which testimony and other  
11 evidence was given.

12 The hearing officer then closed  
13 the public hearings on April 20th of 2007 and,  
14 pursuant to statute, a period for receipt of  
15 additional written comment was open from  
16 April 21st, 2007 through May 21st of 2007.

17 The applicant, the public, and  
18 representatives of any public agencies and  
19 organizations made comment and introduced  
20 evidence. Many written comments, including a  
21 report, recommendation from the City Staff and  
22 its attorney, were received, and all of this,  
23 including a filing dated May 21st from the  
24 applicant, has been included in the public record

1 The City Council is under no  
2 legal obligation to satisfy the siting standards  
3 for the applicant by fixing conditions of  
4 approval.

5 Before deliberation begins,  
6 there are two preliminary matters that need to be  
7 attended to. The hearing officer did not rule on  
8 two pending motions, but left them for the City  
9 Council to decide, so the first order of business  
10 is to do that.

11 The first pending motion is  
12 whether to dismiss the matter based on an  
13 assertion that the property is the subject --  
14 that the property that is the subject of the  
15 local siting application was not properly annexed  
16 to the United City of Yorkville and that,  
17 therefore, these proceedings are not under the  
18 jurisdiction of the City.

19 Consistent with the  
20 recommendation of the hearing officer, we  
21 recommend that the Council deny the motion. The  
22 question of the propriety of the annexation is  
23 not subject to an indirect legal challenge to  
24 these proceedings, annexation is presumed by law

1 in this matter.

2 The hearing officer has  
3 submitted his findings and recommendations and  
4 those have been forwarded to the City Council.  
5 These findings and recommendations are advisory  
6 to the City Council.

7 We are now in a stage of this  
8 proceeding where the City Council shall consider  
9 and deliberate over the application. No further  
10 evidence or input from the applicant or the  
11 public is to be taken.

12 The City Council's general  
13 rules and procedure as set forth in the City's  
14 Code regarding Council debate governs tonight's  
15 proceedings.

16 The issue tonight is whether or  
17 not the applicant has met his burden of proving  
18 that the proposed landfill meets the statutory  
19 siting criteria under the Illinois Environmental  
20 Protection Act.

21 The City Council has three  
22 options: It may approve the application, it may  
23 deny the application, or it may approve the  
24 application on certain conditions.

1 to be valid and we, therefore, recommend that  
2 this motion be denied.

3 The second motion is that Mayor  
4 Burd and Alderman Spears be disqualified from  
5 participation in the local siting process. Fox  
6 Moraine has alleged that those two officials have  
7 engaged in conduct that show bias. This request  
8 is contrary to Section 39.2, and no evidence was  
9 introduced as to this contention by the  
10 applicant. For these reasons, we recommend that  
11 this motion also be summarily denied.

12 So, first, I recommend that a  
13 motion be made to deny Kendall County's motion to  
14 dismiss for lack of jurisdiction.

15 ALDERMAN SPEARS: So moved.

16 ALDERMAN LESLIE: Second.

17 MAYOR BURD: Could I have roll call,  
18 please?

19 ALDERMAN MUNNS: Any discussion on  
20 that?

21 MAYOR BURD: Any discussion? Any  
22 questions, any discussion?

23 ALDERMAN MUNNS: Just one question,  
24 why the hearing officer who attended every

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1 MS. PICKERING: Golinski.  
 2 ALDERMAN GOLINSKI: Aye.  
 3 MS. PICKERING: Werderich.  
 4 ALDERMAN WERDERICH: Aye.  
 5 MR. ROTH: Next I recommend that a  
 6 motion be made to deny Fox Moraine, LLC's motion  
 7 to disqualify Mayor Burd and Alderman Spears from  
 8 participating in these proceedings.  
 9 ALDERMAN GOLINSKI: So moved.  
 10 ALDERMAN WERDERICH: Second.  
 11 MAYOR BURD: We have -- Any  
 12 discussion on this? Any questions?  
 13 (No Response)  
 14 ALDERMAN SPEARS: I want to vote  
 15 against any rules or any landfill -- their rules,  
 16 am I allowed to vote on this to remove myself?  
 17 Okay. Thank you.  
 18 MAYOR BURD: Any other questions?  
 19 (No Response)  
 20 MAYOR BURD: Roll call vote, please.  
 21 MS. PICKERING: Plocher.  
 22 ALDERMAN PLOCHER: Aye.  
 23 MS. PICKERING: Spears.  
 24 ALDERMAN SPEARS: Aye.

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1 MS. PICKERING: Sutcliff.  
 2 ALDERMAN SUTCLIFF: Aye.  
 3 MS. PICKERING: Besco.  
 4 ALDERMAN BESCO: Aye.  
 5 MS. PICKERING: Leslie.  
 6 ALDERMAN LESLIE: Aye.  
 7 MS. PICKERING: Golinski.  
 8 ALDERMAN GOLINSKI: Aye.  
 9 MS. PICKERING: Werderich.  
 10 ALDERMAN WERDERICH: Aye.  
 11 MS. PICKERING: Munns.  
 12 ALDERMAN MUNNS: Aye.  
 13 MAYOR BURD: Now we move into the  
 14 debate section.  
 15 ALDERMAN WERDERICH: Actually,  
 16 actually, if I could make a point here before we  
 17 move in, one of the things that we did receive  
 18 today in regards to things that we're supposed to  
 19 take into consideration was post-public hearing  
 20 written comments by the applicant, Fox Moraine.  
 21 I would like to ask the  
 22 attorney, one, whether this is something that can  
 23 be done and can be taken into consideration  
 24 especially in the voluminous amounts that has

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1 been provided to us at this point.  
 2 MR. ROTH: Well --  
 3 ALDERMAN WERDERICH: And I guess the  
 4 timing of it, too, is the other thing. What's  
 5 concerning to me is the fact that we were given  
 6 these voluminous amounts right before the period  
 7 of time that we were supposed to make the  
 8 deliberations and decisions.  
 9 MR. ROTH: I can only tell you  
 10 that --  
 11 ALDERMAN WERDERICH: Is that --  
 12 MR. ROTH: -- this binder -- this  
 13 binder of information --  
 14 ALDERMAN WERDERICH: And that's  
 15 double-sided, right?  
 16 MR. ROTH: It's double-sided,  
 17 -- appeared tonight to have  
 18 been filed -- received by the City on the 22nd;  
 19 it was post-marked on the 21st, and according to  
 20 your ordinance, that is sufficient within the  
 21 31-day -- the 30-day period, excuse me, for  
 22 post-hearing comment, so it is before you and it  
 23 is in the record.  
 24 MAYOR BURD: If anybody would like

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1 to move to adjourn until tomorrow --  
 2 ALDERMAN BESCO: Yes.  
 3 MAYOR BURD: -- so that you can read  
 4 this through and you feel that you need more time  
 5 for consideration --  
 6 ALDERMAN LESLIE: I am concerned  
 7 about the time.  
 8 MAYOR BURD: We have to vote by the  
 9 29th of May. That means that would move us back  
 10 another day, so you need to consider that. We  
 11 can't do all of this in one night. We need to  
 12 have discussions --  
 13 ALDERMAN WERDERICH: I --  
 14 MAYOR BURD: Excuse me, please. We  
 15 need to have discussions and then we will have to  
 16 give our attorneys time to prepare a resolution  
 17 based on the consensus of the City Council and  
 18 they will come back the next day with that  
 19 resolution and then we will vote, so we need at  
 20 least one night of debate, and then the next  
 21 night we will have the resolution that we will  
 22 vote on and you can debate that resolution at  
 23 that time. So that's the outline of what we're  
 24 going to do.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Patti Racky, a non-attorney, certify that I caused a copy of the foregoing **Notice of Filing and United City of Yorkville's Reply in Support of Its Motion in Limine # 1** to be served upon the Hearing Officer and all Counsel of Record listed on the attached Service list by sending it via Electronic Mail on October 7, 2008.

/s/ Patti Racky

[x] Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to ILL. REV. STAT. CHAP. 110 – SEC 1-109, I certify that the statements set forth herein are true and correct.

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