

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF SANGAMON)

MARK S. COCHRAN, of Springfield, Illinois, being first duly sworn, upon oath states:

1. Affiant is Supervisor of Environmental Programs for Central Illinois Public Service Company ("CIPS");
2. On July 10, 1981, CIPS received the attached letter from the Illinois Natural History Survey ("Survey") indicating that the complete final report on the Coffeen Lake environmental studies would not be available before the week of August 17, 1981;
3. CIPS and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency are in agreement that it will take a minimum of six (6) weeks following receipt of the Survey's final report for CIPS to review it for the Illinois Natural History Survey to make needed revisions, for the revised report to be physically reproduced, and for the Agency to review the final product; therefore, a hearing on PCB 71-221 should not be held prior to October 27, 1981.

Mark S. Cochran
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SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me
this 30th day of July, 1981.

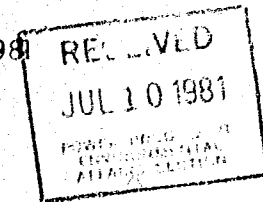
Dorothy Hoover
Notary Public

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Ms. Debbie Bruce
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607 East Adams Street
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Dear Debbie:

A draft report of our final results on the Coffeen Lake environmental studies entitled "Part I: Environmental Studies of Coffeen Lake-A Thermally Altered Reservoir", and "Part II: Investigations of Shoal Creek", was delivered to your office on 30 June 1981. I regret to inform you that Chapter 4 regarding trace metal analyses, one of 18 chapters in Part I and a critical section of the total report is missing and will not be available for another six weeks. Several major breakdowns of sensitive analytical equipment were experienced by Sue Wood, our analytical chemist. In addition, the Illinois Geological Survey has had a backlog of samples and is just now getting to the analyses of coal, slag, and fly ash we submitted from the Coffeen Generating Station. These problems have resulted in the projected six weeks delay in delivering the trace metal chapter. In Part II of the report, the benthic studies chapter by Gary Warren has not been completed due to problems in identification of oligochaetes but it will be finished within two weeks.

These two chapters will be forwarded to you as soon as they are available. The Illinois Natural History Survey regrets the delay in delivering a completed report by the data agreed upon, especially since we understand you need the information for a hearing in September before the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Thank you for your patience in this matter.

Sincerely,

John A. Tranquilli

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Associate Aquatic Biologist

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