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**Illinois Pollution Control Board Grants Provisional Variance to Dynergy  
Midwest Generation, Inc.**

**Chicago** – On June 19, 2003, the Illinois Pollution Control Board (Board) granted to Dynergy Midwest Generation, Inc. (Dynergy) a 45-day provisional variance from the total suspended solids (TSS) effluent concentration limits of Outfall 001 in its NPDES Permit No. IL000004 and 35 Ill. Adm. Code 304.141(a). The provisional variance would allow for the dredging of the secondary cell of the ash pond system at Dynergy's coal-fired generating station located near Baldwin in St. Clair and Randolph Counties.

The provisional variance period begins on June 16, 2003, and continues for 45 days or until the completion of the project whichever occurs earlier. During the variance period, Dynergy will meet the monthly average effluent concentration limits of 50 milligrams per liter (mg/l) for TSS. Dynergy will complete the dredging and repair related work as expeditiously as possible and will monitor and maintain compliance with all other parameters and conditions specified in NPDES Permit No. IL0022403.

On June 18, 2003, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) recommended that the Board grant the provisional variance. This request was docketed as PCB 03-234. The Board granted the provisional variance based on

the IEPA's notification that compliance with 35 Ill. Adm. Code 304.141(a) and the effluent limits in NPDES Permit No. IL 000004 as they apply to total suspended solids for Outfall 001 would impose an arbitrary or unreasonable hardship on Dynergy.

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