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| Petitioner, |) | |
| |) | PCB 14-111 |
| v. |) | (Variance - Water) |
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NOTICE

To: John Therriault, Assistant Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board
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100 West Randolph, Suite 11-500
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Carol Webb, Hearing Officer
Illinois Pollution Control Board
1021 North Grand Avenue East
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that I have today filed with the Office of the Pollution Control Board the APPEARANCE and CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

Respectfully submitted,

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY

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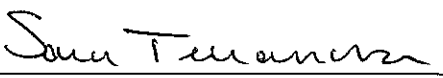
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APPEARANCE

The undersigned hereby enters her appearance as an attorney on behalf of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

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CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

The ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, by its attorney and pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 104.214(f), certifies that notice of the Petition for Variance was published in the Decatur *Herald & Review* on March 6, 2014. A copy of the published notice is attached.

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LSD shows promise as anxiety aid

By Gregory Thomas News Service

LOS ANGELES — For the first time in more than four decades, the drug LSD — better known as LSD — has been the experimental adjunct to psychotherapy in a controlled clinical trial approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

And a newly published study on that trial reports that the medication's anti-anxiety effects on patients facing life-threatening illnesses were stable, sustained — and free of worrisome side effects.

In short, everything was pretty good.

A pilot study conducted in Switzerland, 12 patients suffering deep anxiety due to serious illnesses participated in several drug-free psychotherapy sessions, and then joined a pair of therapists for two full-day psychotherapy sessions, separated by two to three weeks, under the influence of LSD.

After tapering off any anti-anxiety or antidepressant medications and avoiding alcohol for at least a day, subjects in the trial were given either a 200-microgram dose of LSD or an "active placebo" of 20 micrograms of the drug.

While the placebo users were expected to produce short-lived and deleterious LSD effects, it was not expected to improve the psychotherapeutic process.

The therapy dose was "expected to produce the full spectrum of a typical LSD experience, without fully dissolving the normal ego structure," the researchers wrote.

Patients who got the higher dose of LSD for the two sessions reported less anxiety after their LSD trips, whereas anxiety built among the four subjects who did not get the full dose.

More important, subjects who got the full dose experienced measurable and lasting improvements in their "state" and "trait" anxiety scores, which reflect anxiety levels that are buffered by changing circumstances (state) and those that are stable aspects of personality (trait).

Eight weeks after the intervention, those who got full doses of LSD had declines in both state and trait anxiety. By contrast, trait anxiety increased for all four of those who got the placebo dose, and state anxiety rose in two of the four.

The study, led by a private-practice psychiatrist in Switzerland, was published online this week in the *Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease*.

It was sponsored by the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies, or MAPS, a nonprofit based in Santa Cruz, Calif., that encourages research on legitimate therapeutic uses for hallucinogens.

WHITE

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Milklin University's founder finally attended the school where White most recently served as president for seven years — Wabash College in Crawfordsville, Ind.

"We don't know what he took or why he didn't stay," White said. "I fantasize that he said, 'This is a nice place, but Wabash is too committed to an outmoded idea of a liberal arts education, and before I pass this world, I will found a university more to my liking.'"

White added that one of the first discoveries he made after starting work July 1 as Milklin's interim president was that the institution's commitment to performance-based learning was not merely a slogan.

"I said the university is a creative and innovative place where students begin to perform on a professional level early in their academic careers."

"This happens in music, dance and theater, obviously, but also nursing, business, English, biology, chemistry, every single major," White said.

"Where will the wealth come from the next generation? We have no idea, that's why the next generation will surprise us," he continued. "But we need to give our students the aptitudes and the attitudes to be innovative and creative thinkers and doers!"

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Police try to separate clashing pro-Russia demonstrators and supporters of the new Ukrainian government in Donetsk, Ukraine.

Little progress in Ukraine

Russian minister refuses to meet with counterpart

PARIS (AP) — The United States and Western diplomats failed to bring Russian and Ukrainian foreign ministers together Wednesday for face-to-face talks on the confrontation in Crimea, even as U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry voiced optimism that an end strategy was possible. "I'd rather be where we are today than where we were yesterday," he said.

"I want to be realistic. This is hard, tough stuff, and a very serious moment," Kerry said. "I personally feel that I have something concrete to take back and talk to President Obama about." He added, without specifying what that was.

Speaking separately after what he called "a very long day" of discussions on Ukraine, Lavrov said the sides agreed to continue talks in coming days "about how we can help in efforts to normalize the situation and overcome the crisis."

Facebook to delete illegal gun sale posts

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Under pressure from gun control advocates, Facebook agreed Wednesday to delete posts from users seeking to buy or sell weapons illegally or without a background check.

The move reflects growing alarm that the internet is being used to sell banned weapons, evade restrictions on interstate sales, and peddle guns in the hands of convicted felons, domestic abusers, the mentally ill or others barred under federal law from obtaining firearms.

The new policy was worked out in an agreement with New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman, who has been pressuring the company along with Mayors Against Illegal Guns, a group headed by former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, and Moms Demand Action. Moms Demand Action collected more than 230,000 signatures on petitions calling on Facebook to act.

Pollution Variance Notice

On February 21 2014, the Sanitary District of Decatur ("Petitioners") located at 501 Dipper Lane, Decatur, Illinois (Macon County), filed with the Illinois Pollution Control Board ("Board") a petition for an extension of its variance under Title IX of the Environmental Protection Act ("Act").

To assure continued compliance with its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit, Petitioners request a variance extension from the water quality standards for nickel, as set forth in 35 ILCS 5/10.0, Code 322.20(a), and from the effluent limits that could otherwise be imposed through 35 ILCS 5/10.0. The Board granted Petitioners initial variance on January 7, 2010. See Sanitary District of Decatur v. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, PCB 03-125, January 7, 2010.

Any person may request a hearing by filing with the Board a written objection to the grant of the variance, together with a written request for a hearing, within twenty-one (21) days after the publication of this Notice.

A copy of the variance petition is available from the Clerk of the Board, Illinois Pollution Control Board, James R. Thompson Center, 100 W. Randolph Street, Suite 11-500, Chicago, Illinois 60601.

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) is preparing a recommendation regarding this variance petition. The Illinois EPA is to file its recommendation within forty-five (45) days after the filing of the petition. The Illinois EPA seeks the views of persons who may be adversely affected by the variance. Address any comments or requests to Sara Tarnowski, Assistant Counsel, Division of Legal Counsel, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, 1021 North Grand Avenue East, Post Office Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62719-9276, telephone: 217/782-5544.

A hearing may be held after the filing of the Illinois EPA recommendation. The record of this proceeding remains open for written comment for forty-five (45) days after filing of the Illinois EPA recommendation. Comments must be mailed to the Board at the above address for the Clerk of the Board.

The record in this variance proceeding is available at the Board's office for inspection, except those portions that are protected from disclosure under 35 ILCS, Code 130. Procedures are available whereby disclosure may be sought by the public.

AMEREN

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prepares to build a coal ash landfill next to the Labadie power plant, a project that also has drawn opposition from environmental groups. Ameren is delaying landfill construction amid a request by Franklin County to include six additional groundwater monitoring wells at the landfill, despite DNR assurances that Ameren's groundwater monitoring plan is adequate.

Luminant, the state's largest utility provider. In that case, the judge ruled that the environmental group did not show a compelling reason for him to overrule the state's environmental agency.

The company continues to face a U.S. Justice Department suit over pollution levels at two of its power plants. "The filing of such litigation is a common tactic used by opponents who are striving to remove coal from energy choices available to customers," Menne said in a written statement.

The Sierra Club and several other environmental groups are also suing Ameren in federal court in Illinois over what it calls numerous federal Clean Air Act violations at the E.D. Edwards coal-fired power plant in Rockville.

A similar Sierra Club lawsuit against MidAmerican Energy Co. of Des Moines, Iowa, led to a 2013 settlement in which the company agreed to stop burning coal at five of its plants in that state.

Menne noted that a federal court in Texas recently rejected a similar suit filed by the Sierra Club against

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via electronic mail on March 25, 2014; and depositing said documents in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, in Springfield Illinois, on March 25, 2014 to each persons on the attached service list.

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