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Re: Mississippi Sand, LLC – Ottawa Mine
NPDES Permit ILG840203

To Interested Parties:

Thank you for submitting comments on Mississippi Sand LLC's proposed coverage under general NPDES permit No. ILG84. The Illinois EPA has determined the proposed project can meet the conditions of the general permit. These conditions will provide adequate controls on the construction, operation and discharges from the proposed site. The Illinois EPA reviewed and considered the comments and hearing requests from the public and has decided not to hold a public hearing on this matter. The Illinois EPA, however, will be providing detailed responses to the comments received in a response letter and fact sheet available on the Agency's website at: <http://www.epa.state.il.us/public-notices/>.

Illinois EPA appreciates your participation in the permitting process. Should you have any questions, please contact Thaddeus Faught at 217-782-0610.

Sincerely,

Alan Keller, P.E.
Manager, Permit Section
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Mississippi Sand, LLC