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Mississippi Sand LLC Notification of Issuance 9/27/2012

On September 27, 2012, the Illinois EPA Bureaus of Air and Water issued, respectively, construction and stormwater permits to Mississippi Sand LLC for a sand processing plant in LaSalle County on Route 71 near Ottawa. Copies of the issued permits may be obtained online at http://www.epa.state.il.us/public-notices/

The Bureau of Air (BOA) construction permit gives the company authority to construct crushers, screens, conveyors and other equipment that would be a source of air emissions. The applicable Illinois EPA regulations and conditions in the BOA permit combined with pollution control equipment (baghouses, application of water, building enclosures, paving and sweeping) will result in stringent control of emissions of particulate matter from the site. In complying with applicable laws and regulations, the Illinois EPA is confident that this facility will not have a significant impact on ambient air quality.

The Bureau of Water (BOW) stormwater permit gives the company authority to construct screening berms and storm water control measures. Any water discharge from this site will be subject to best management practices and or effluent limitations that will control and limit the discharge of sediment and suspended solids. The controls and limitations of the discharge will be designed to prevent impacts of aquatic life use in Horseshoe Creek and the Illinois River.

Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) and the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency (IHPA) have also reviewed the project. On June 15, 2012, IDNR requested that Mississippi Sand LLC submit the required fee and bond for the surface mining permit at the proposed Mississippi Sand/Ottawa operation. On September 27, 2012, IHPA signed a Memorandum of Agreement with Illinois EPA and Mississippi Sand which sets forth the plan for Mississippi Sand to mitigate adverse impacts to historical resources.

Inquires to the various Agencies should be directed to:

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