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Re: City of Evanston (Illinois EPA BOW ID# W0310810001) Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification (C-0078-24)

To Distribution List:

In accordance with the Illinois EPA's Environmental Justice Policy, the Office of Environmental Justice wants to provide you with information about a potential action. The Illinois EPA is sending this letter to notify you of an application received by the Bureau of Water (BOW).

The Illinois EPA has received an application for a Section 401 Water Quality Certification pursuant to the Clean Water Act from City of Evanston for its facility located at 555 Lincoln Street in Evanston. The application is for replacement of the raw water intake that supplies raw water from Lake Michigan to the Evanston water treatment plant. In addition, onshore modifications are needed to connect the water intake to the Evanston water treatment plant. The project will consist of shoreline, nearshore, and offshore construction activities to install a new 60" intake pipe and intake structures.

The application is currently under review by the Illinois EPA's Bureau of Water. Once ready for review, the Illinois EPA will post a public notice/fact sheet and draft permit on its website (<u>https://epa.illinois.gov/public-notices/section-401-notices.html</u>) and will accept comments during the public notice period. The procedures for public participation in the Water Pollution Control Permit Program can be found at 35 III Adm. Code Part 309. Inquiries concerning the availability of public comment or hearing in this matter may be addressed to Barb Lieberoff, Community Relations, at (217) 524-3038, <u>barb.lieberoff@illinois.gov</u>.

If you would like to sign up to receive notifications by email, please visit the Illinois EPA Environmental Justice webpage: <u>https://epa.illinois.gov/topics/environmental-justice.html</u>

If you have questions about the application, please contact Chris Pressnall, Manager of the Office of Environmental Justice at (217) 524-1284, <u>EPA.OEJ@illinois.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Chris Pressnall, Manager Office of Environmental Justice

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