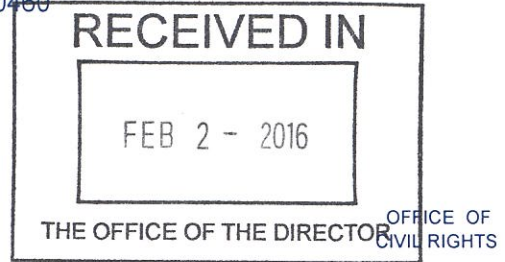




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Lisa Bonnett, Director  
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
1021 North Grand Avenue East  
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Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

**Re: Voluntary Withdrawal of Administrative Complaint**

Dear Ms. Bonnett:

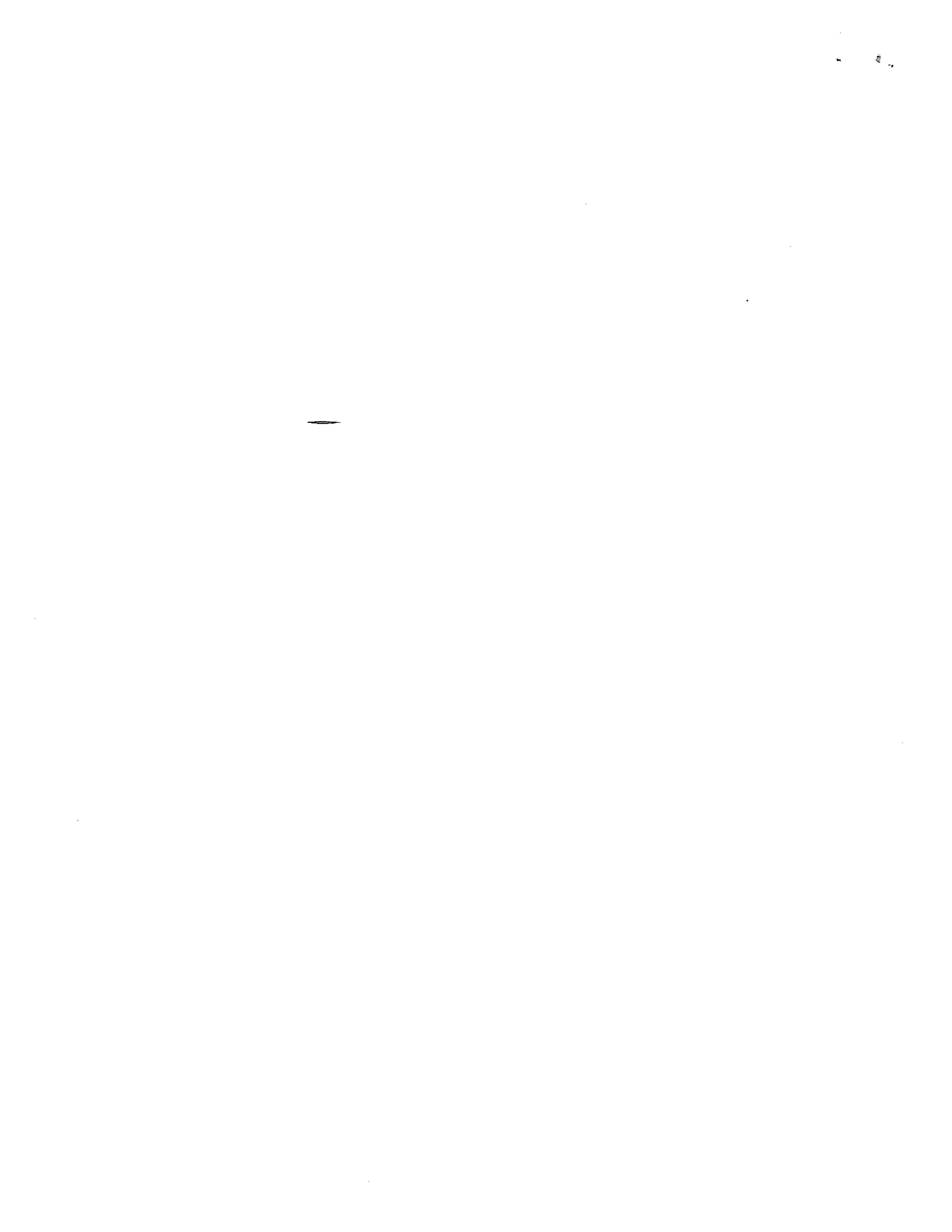
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Civil Rights (OCR) is in receipt of a letter from the Complainant dated August 25, 2015, requesting a voluntary withdrawal of EPA complaint (No. 18R-15-R5), received on July 23, 2015. It is our understanding that the request is based on the findings, responsive measures and commitments as contained in the Illinois EPA's July 2, 2015 Environmental Justice Grievance Investigative Report and Resolution. See [www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/environmental-justice/grievances/index](http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/environmental-justice/grievances/index).

Pursuant to the Complainant's request, OCR is administratively closing the complaint with prejudice and will consider this matter as resolved. If you have any questions, please contact Samuel Peterson of my staff at (202) 564-5393 or via e-mail at [peterson.samuel@epa.gov](mailto:peterson.samuel@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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Office of Civil Rights

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