

State Settles Enforcement Action Against Dairy Farm For Alleged Water Pollution Violations

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The Illinois Pollution Control Board recently accepted the parties' settlement of a State enforcement action in *People v. Miller, Case No. PCB 10-43*, which concerned a 1,300-acre dairy farm, consisting of two separate parcels: 765 East Rock Grove Road, Orangeville, Stephenson County, Illinois; and 1984 Hickory Grove Road, Dakota, Stephenson County, Illinois.

The State alleged that the defendant violated the Illinois Environmental Protection Act by: (1) causing and threatening the discharge of manure and manure-containing runoff into a small tributary, so as to cause water pollution; (2) causing and allowing offensive conditions; (3) failing to provide adequate runoff structures at the farm; (4) failing to construct a temporary manure stack at the farm; (5) placing livestock wastes on soils; and (6) depositing contaminants on land so as to cause water pollution.

Under the terms of the settlement, the defendant neither admits nor denies the violations and agrees to pay a civil penalty of \$2,000.

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