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AN ACT concerning environmental protection.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Environmental Protection Act is amended
by changing Sections 57.1, 57.2, 57.5, 57.6, 57.7, 57.8,
57.10, and 57.13 and adding Section 57.14A as follows:

7 (415 ILCS 5/57.1)

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Sec. 57.1. Applicability.

(a) An owner or operator of an underground storage tank 9 who meets the definition of this Title shall be required to 10 conduct tank removal, abandonment <u>site</u> 11 <u>and</u>, repair, 12 investigation, and physical-soil-classification,-groundwater 13 investigation,-site-elassification-or corrective action in accordance with the requirements of the Leaking Underground 14 15 Storage Tank Program.

16 (b) An owner or operator of a heating oil tank as 17 defined by this Title may elect to perform tank removal, 18 abandonment <u>or</u>, repair, <u>site investigation</u>, or corrective 19 action, unless the provisions of subsection (g) of Section 20 57.5 are applicable.

(c) All owners or operators who conduct tank removal, repair <u>or</u>, abandonment, <u>site investigation</u>, physical-soil elassification, -----groundwater-----investigation, -----site elassification or corrective action may be eligible for the relief provided for under Section 57.10 of this Title.

(d) The owners or operators, or both, of underground storage tanks containing regulated substances other than petroleum shall undertake corrective action in conformance with regulations promulgated by the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

31 (Source: P.A. 88-496; 89-428, eff. 1-1-96; 89-457, eff.

5-22-96.)

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2 (415 ILCS 5/57.2)

Sec. 57.2. Definitions. As used in this Title:

4 "Audit" means a systematic inspection or examination of
5 plans, reports, records, or documents to determine the
6 completeness and accuracy of the data and conclusions
7 contained therein.

8 "Bodily injury" means bodily injury, sickness, or disease 9 sustained by a person, including death at any time, resulting 10 from a release of petroleum from an underground storage tank.

11 "Release" means any spilling, leaking, emitting, 12 discharging, escaping, leaching or disposing of petroleum 13 from an underground storage tank into groundwater, surface 14 water or subsurface soils.

15 "Fill material" means non-native or disturbed materials16 used to bed and backfill around an underground storage tank.

"Fund" means the Underground Storage Tank Fund.

18 "Heating Oil" means petroleum that is No. 1, No. 2, No. 4
19 - light, No. 4 - heavy, No. 5 - light, No. 5 - heavy or No. 6
20 technical grades of fuel oil; and other residual fuel oils
21 including Navy Special Fuel Oil and Bunker C.

22 "Indemnification" means indemnification of an owner or operator for the amount of any judgment entered against the 23 24 owner or operator in a court of law, for the amount of any final order or determination made against the owner or 25 operator by an agency of State government or any subdivision 26 27 thereof, or for the amount of any settlement entered into by the owner or operator, if the judgment, order, determination, 28 29 or settlement arises out of bodily injury or property damage suffered as a result of a release of petroleum from an 30 31 underground storage tank owned or operated by the owner or 32 operator.

"Corrective action" means activities associated with

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compliance with the provisions of Sections 57.6 and 57.7 of
 this Title.

3 "Occurrence" means an accident, including continuous or
4 repeated exposure to conditions, that results in a sudden or
5 nonsudden release from an underground storage tank.

When used in connection with, or when otherwise relating 6 7 to, underground storage tanks, the terms "facility", "owner", 8 "operator", "underground storage tank", "(UST)", "petroleum" 9 and "regulated substance" shall have the meanings ascribed to them in Subtitle I of the Hazardous and Solid 10 Waste 11 Amendments of 1984 (P.L. 98-616), of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (P.L. 94-580); provided 12 13 however that the term "underground storage tank" shall also mean an underground storage tank used exclusively to store 14 15 heating oil for consumptive use on the premises where stored 16 and which serves other than a farm or residential unit.

"Licensed Professional Engineer" means a person,
corporation, or partnership licensed under the laws of the
State of Illinois to practice professional engineering.

20 "Site" means any single location, place, tract of land or 21 parcel of property including contiguous property not 22 separated by a public right-of-way.

23 <u>"Site investigation" means activities associated with</u>
24 <u>compliance with the provisions of subsection (a) of Section</u>
25 <u>57.7.</u>

26 "Physical-soil-classification"--means--verification--that 27 subsurface--strata-are-as-generally-mapped-in-the-publication 28 Illinois-Geological-Survey-Circular-(1984)-titled--"Potential 29 for--Contamination-of-Shallow-Aquifers-in-Illinois,"-by-Berg, 30 Richard-C.,-et-al.--Such-classification-may-include-review-of 31 soil-borings,-well-logs,--physical--soil--analyses,--regional 32 geologic-maps,-or-other-scientific-publications.

33 "Property damage" means physical injury to, destruction34 of, or contamination of tangible property, including all

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resulting loss of use of that property; or loss of use of tangible property that is not physically injured, destroyed, or contaminated, but has been evacuated, withdrawn from use, or rendered inaccessible because of a release of petroleum from an underground storage tank.

6 "Class I Groundwater" means groundwater that meets the 7 Class I: Potable Resource Groundwater criteria set forth in 8 the Board regulations adopted pursuant to the Illinois 9 Groundwater Protection Act.

10 "Class III Groundwater" means groundwater that meets the 11 Class III: Special Resource Groundwater criteria set forth 12 in the Board regulations adopted pursuant to the Illinois 13 Groundwater Protection Act.

14 (Source: P.A. 88-496; 89-428, eff. 1-1-96; 89-457, eff. 15 5-22-96.)

16 (415 ILCS 5/57.5)

Sec. 57.5. Underground Storage Tanks; removal; repair;abandonment.

(a) Notwithstanding the eligibility or the level of 19 20 deductibility of an owner or operator under the Underground 21 Storage Tank Fund, any owner or operator of an Underground 22 Storage Tank may seek to remove or abandon such tank under the provisions of this Title. In order to be reimbursed 23 24 under Section 57.8, the owner or operator must comply with the provisions of this Title. In no event will an owner or 25 operator be reimbursed for any costs which exceed the minimum 26 27 requirements necessary to comply with this Title.

(b) Removal or abandonment of an Underground Storage
Tank must be carried out in accordance with regulations
adopted by the Office of State Fire Marshal.

31 (c) The Office of the State Fire Marshal or a designated
32 agent shall have an inspector on site at the time of removal,
33 abandonment, or such other times the Office of State Fire

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1 Marshal deems appropriate. At such time, the inspector 2 shall, upon preliminary excavation of the tank site, render an opinion as to whether a release of petroleum has occurred 3 4 if so, the owner or operator shall report the known or and. suspected release to the Illinois Emergency Management 5 6 Agency. The owner or operator shall determine whether or not 7 a release has occurred in conformance with the regulations adopted by the Board and the Office of the State Fire 8 9 Marshal. Except that if the opinion of the Office of the State Fire Marshal inspector is that a release of petroleum 10 11 has occurred and the owner or operator has reported the release to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency within 24 12 hours of removal of the tank, no such determination is 13 required under this subsection. In the event the owner or 14 operator confirms the presence of a release of petroleum, the 15 16 owner or operator shall comply with Section 57.6. The 17 inspector shall provide the owner or operator, or a 18 designated agent, with an "Eligibility and Deductibility Determination" form. 19 The Office of the State Fire Marshal shall provide on-site assistance to the owner or operator or 20 21 a designated agent with regard to the eligibility and deductibility procedures as provided in Section 57.9. 22 If the 23 Office of the State Fire Marshal is not on site, the Office of the State Fire Marshal shall provide the owner or operator 24 25 with an "Eligibility and Deductibility Determination" form within 15 days after receiving notice that the confirmed 26 27 release was reported by the owner or operator.

(d) In the event that a release of petroleum is confirmed under subsection (c) of this Section, the owner or operator may elect to backfill the preliminary excavation and proceed under Section 57.6.

32 (e) In the event that an Underground Storage Tank is
33 found to be ineligible for payment from the Underground
34 Storage Tank Fund, the owner or operator shall proceed under

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1 Sections 57.6 and 57.7.

2 In the event that no release of petroleum is (f) confirmed, the owner or operator shall proceed to complete 3 4 the removal of the underground storage tank, and when appropriate, dispose of the tank and backfill the excavation 5 б or, in the alternate, abandon the underground storage tank in 7 place. Either option shall be in accordance with regulations adopted by the Office of the State Fire Marshal. The owner 8 9 or operator shall certify to the Office of the State Fire Marshal that the tank removal or abandonment was conducted in 10 11 accordance with all applicable rules and regulations, and the Office of the State Fire Marshal shall then issue a 12 certificate of removal or abandonment to the owner or 13 operator. If the Office of the State Fire Marshal fails 14 to 15 issue a certificate of removal or abandonment within 30 days of receipt of the certification, the certification shall be 16 considered rejected by operation of law and a final action 17 appealable to the Board. Nothing in this Title shall prohibit 18 19 the Office of the State Fire Marshal from making an independent inspection of the site and challenging the 20 21 veracity of the owner or operator certification.

22 (g) The owner or operator of an underground storage tank 23 taken out of operation before January 2, 1974, or an underground storage tank used exclusively to store heating 24 25 oil for consumptive use on the premises where stored and which serves other than a farm or residential unit shall not 26 be required to remove or abandon in place such underground 27 storage tank except in the case in which the Office of the 28 29 State Fire Marshal has determined that a release from the 30 underground storage tank poses a current or potential threat to human health and the environment. In that case, and upon 31 32 receipt of an order from the Office of the State Fire Marshal, the owner or operator of such underground storage 33 34 tank shall conduct removal and, if necessary, site

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<u>investigation and</u> corrective action in accordance with this
 Title and regulations promulgated by the Office of State Fire
 Marshal and the Board.

4 In the event that a release of petroleum occurred (h) 5 between September 13, 1993, and August 1, 1994, for which the 6 Office of the State Fire Marshal issued a certificate of removal or abandonment based on its determination of "no 7 release" or "minor release," and the Office of the State Fire 8 9 Marshal subsequently has rescinded that determination and required a report of a confirmed release to the Illinois 10 11 Emergency Management Agency, the owner or operator may be reimbursement for the costs of site 12 eligible for investigation and corrective action incurred on or after the 13 date of the release but prior to the notification of the 14 15 Illinois Emergency Management Agency. The date of the 16 release shall be the date of the initial inspection by the Office of the State Fire Marshal as recorded 17 in its 18 inspection log. Eligibility and deductibility shall be 19 determined in accordance with this Title, the owner or operator must comply with the provisions of this Act and its 20 21 rules, and in no case shall the owner or operator be reimbursed for costs exceeding the minimum requirements of 22 23 this Act and its rules.

24 (Source: P.A. 88-496; 89-428, eff. 1-1-96; 89-457, eff. 25 5-22-96.)

26 (415 ILCS 5/57.6)

27 Sec. 57.6. Underground storage tanks; early action.

(a) Owners and operators of underground storage tanks shall, in response to all confirmed releases, comply with all applicable statutory and regulatory reporting and response requirements.

32 (b) Notwithstanding any other corrective action taken,33 an owner or operator may, at a minimum, and prior to

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1 submission of any plans to the Agency, remove the tank system 2 abandon the underground storage tank in place, or in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the Office of 3 4 the State Fire Marshal. The owner or operator may also remove visibly contaminated fill material and any groundwater 5 in the excavation which exhibits a sheen. For purposes of 6 7 payment for early action costs, however, fill material shall not be removed in an amount in excess of 4 feet from the 8 outside dimensions of the tank. 9 (Source: P.A. 88-496; 89-428, eff. 1-1-96; 89-457, eff.

10 (Source: P.A. 88-496; 89-428, eff. 1-1-96; 89-457, eff. 11 5-22-96.)

12 (415 ILCS 5/57.7)

Sec. 57.7. Leaking underground storage tanks; <u>site</u> <u>investigation</u> physical--seil---elassification,---groundwater <u>investigation,-site-elassification</u>, and corrective action.

16 <u>(a) Site investigation.</u>

17 (1) For any site investigation activities required by statute or rule, the owner or operator shall submit to 18 the Agency for approval a site investigation plan 19 designed to determine the nature, concentration, 20 21 direction of movement, rate of movement, and extent of the contamination as well as the significant physical 22 23 features of the site and surrounding area that may affect contaminant transport and risk to human health and safety 24 25 and the environment.

26 (2) Any owner or operator intending to seek payment 27 from the Fund shall submit to the Agency for approval a 28 site investigation budget that includes, but is not 29 limited to, an accounting of all costs associated with 30 the implementation and completion of the site 31 investigation plan.

32 <u>(3) Remediation objectives for the applicable</u> 33 <u>indicator contaminants shall be determined using the</u>

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1 tiered approach to corrective action objectives rules adopted by the Board pursuant to this Title and Title 2 3 XVII of this Act. For the purposes of this Title, "Contaminant of Concern" or "Regulated Substance of 4 Concern" in the rules means the applicable indicator 5 contaminants set forth in subsection (d) of this Section 6 7 and the rules adopted thereunder. 8 (4) Upon the Agency's approval of a site 9 investigation plan, or as otherwise directed by the Agency, the owner or operator shall conduct a site 10 11 investigation in accordance with the plan. (5) Within 30 days after completing the site 12 13 investigation, the owner or operator shall submit to the Agency for approval a site investigation completion 14 report. At a minimum the report shall include all of the 15 16 following: 17 (A) Executive summary. (B) Site history. 18 19 (C) Site-specific sampling methods and 20 <u>results.</u> (D) Documentation of all field activities, 21 22 including quality assurance. 23 (E) Documentation regarding the development of 24 proposed remediation objectives. 25 (F) Interpretation of results. (G) Conclusions. 26 27 (b) Corrective action. (1) If the site investigation confirms none of the 28 applicable indicator contaminants exceed the proposed 29 remediation objectives, within 30 days after completing 30 31 the site investigation the owner or operator shall submit 32 to the Agency for approval a corrective action completion report in accordance with this Section. 33 34 (2) If any of the applicable indicator contaminants

1	exceed the remediation objectives approved for the site,
2	within 30 days after the Agency approves the site
3	investigation completion report the owner or operator
4	shall submit to the Agency for approval a corrective
5	action plan designed to mitigate any threat to human
б	health, human safety, or the environment resulting from
7	the underground storage tank release. The plan shall
8	describe the selected remedy and evaluate its ability and
9	effectiveness to achieve the remediation objectives
10	approved for the site. At a minimum, the report shall
11	include all of the following:
12	(A) Executive summary.
13	(B) Statement of remediation objectives.
14	(C) Remedial technologies selected.
15	(D) Confirmation sampling plan.
16	(E) Current and projected future use of the
17	property.
18	(F) Applicable preventive, engineering, and
19	institutional controls including long-term
20	reliability, operating, and maintenance plans, and
21	monitoring procedures.
22	(G) A schedule for implementation and
23	completion of the plan.
24	(3) Any owner or operator intending to seek payment
25	from the Fund shall submit to the Agency for approval a
26	corrective action budget that includes, but is not
27	limited to, an accounting of all costs associated with
28	the implementation and completion of the corrective
29	action plan.
30	(4) Upon the Agency's approval of a corrective
31	action plan, or as otherwise directed by the Agency, the
32	owner or operator shall proceed with corrective action in
33	accordance with the plan.
34	(5) Within 30 days after the completion of a

corrective action plan that achieves applicable remediation objectives the owner or operator shall submit to the Agency for approval a corrective action completion report. The report shall demonstrate whether corrective

action was completed in accordance with the approved corrective action plan and whether the remediation objectives approved for the site, as well as any other requirements of the plan, have been achieved.

9 (6) If within 4 years after the approval of any corrective action plan the applicable remediation 10 11 objectives have not been achieved and the owner or operator has not submitted a corrective action completion 12 13 report, the owner or operator must submit a status report for Agency review. The status report must include, but is 14 not limited to, a description of the remediation 15 16 activities taken to date, the effectiveness of the method 17 of remediation being used, the likelihood of meeting the applicable remediation objectives using the current 18 method of remediation, and the date the applicable 19 20 remediation objectives are expected to be achieved.

(7) If the Agency determines any approved 21 22 corrective action plan will not achieve applicable remediation objectives within a reasonable time, based 23 24 upon the method of remediation and site specific circumstances, the Agency may require the owner or 25 operator to submit to the Agency for approval a revised 2.6 27 corrective action plan. If the owner or operator intends to seek payment from the Fund, the owner or operator must 28 29 also submit a revised budget.

30 (a)--Physical---soil---elassification---and---groundwater 31 investigation.

32 (1)--Prior---to---conducting---any---physical---soil 33 classification-and-groundwater--investigation--activities 34 required--by-statute-or-regulation,-the-owner-or-operator

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1	shall-prepare-and-submit-to-the-Agency-fortheAgency's	
2	approval-or-modification:	
3	(A)aphysicalsoilclassification-and	
4	groundwaterinvestigationplandesignedto	
5	determinesiteelassification,in-accordance	
6	with-subsection-(b)-of-thisSection,asHigh	
7	Priority,-Low-Priority,-or-No-Further-Action.	
8	(B)arequestforpaymentofcosts	
9	associated-with-eligible-early-action-costsas	
10	providedinSection57.6(b)However,for	
11	purposesofpaymentforearly-action-costs,	
12	fill-materialsshallnotberemovedinan	
13	amountinexcessof4-feet-from-the-outside	
14	dimensions-of-the-tank.	
15	(2)Iftheowneroroperatorintendstoseek	
16	payment-from-the-Fund,-prior-to-conductinganyphysical	
17	soilclassificationandgroundwaterinvestigation	
18	activitiesrequiredby-statute-or-regulation,-the-owner	
19	or-operator-shall-submit-to-the-Agency-fortheAgency's	
20	approval-ormodification-a-physical-soil-classification	
21	andgroundwater-investigation-budget-which-includes,-but	
22	is-not-limited-to,-an-accounting-of-all-costsassociated	
23	withtheimplementationand-completion-of-the-physical	
24	soil-classification-and-groundwater-investigation-plan.	
25	(3)Within-30-days-of-completionofthephysical	
26	soilclassificationor-groundwater-investigation-report	
27	the-owner-or-operator-shall-submit-to-the-Agency+	
28	(A)allphysicalsoilclassificationand	
29	groundwater-investigation-results;-and	
30	(B)a-certification-by-a-Licensed-Professional	
31	Engineerofthesite'sclassificationasHigh	
32	Priority,-Low-Priority,orNoFurtherActionin	
33	accordancewithsubsection(b)-of-this-Section-as	
34	High-Priority,-Low-Priority,-or-No-Further-Action.	

1 (b)--Site-Classification-2 (1)--After---evaluation---of---the---physical---soil 3 elassification--and--groundwater--investigation--results, 4 when-required,-and-general--site--information,--the--site 5 shall---be---classified--as--"No--Further--Action",--"Low Priority",-or-"High-Priority"-based-on--the--requirements 6 7 of-this-Section---Site-classification-shall-be-determined 8 by--a--Licensed--Professional-Engineer-in-accordance-with 9 the--requirements--of--this--Title---and---the---Licensed 10 Professional-Engineer-shall-submit-a-certification-to-the 11 Agency--of--the--site-classification---The-Agency-has-the 12 authority-to-audit-site--classifications--and--reject--or 13 modify--any--site--classification--inconsistent--with-the 14 requirements-of-this-Title-15 (2)--Sites-shall-be-elassified-as-No-Further--Action 16 if-the-criteria-in-subparagraph-(A)-are-satisfied: 17 (A)(i)--The---site---is---located--in--an--area 18 designated-D7-E7-F-and-G-on-the-Illinois--Geological Survey---Circular---(1984)---titled--"Potential--for 19 20 Contamination-of-Shallow-Aquifers-in--Illinois, "--by 21 Berg,-Richard-C.,-et-al.; 22 (ii)--A--site-evaluation-under-the-direction-of a--Licensed--Professional--Engineer---verifies---the 23 physical----soil---elassification---conditions---are 24 25 consistent-with--those--indicated--on--the--Illinois Geological--Survey-Circular-(1984)-titled-"Potential 26 27 for-Contamination-of-Shallow-Aquifers-in--Illinois," 28 by-Berg,-Richard-C-,-et-al-;-and 29 (iii)--The-conditions-identified-in-subsections 30  $(b)-(3)(B)_7-(C)_7-(D)_7-and-(E)-do-not-exist.$ 31 (B)--Groundwater--investigation--monitoring-may be--required--to--confirm--that--a--site--meets--the 32 33 criteria-of-a-No--Further--Action--site---The--Board 34 shall--adopt--rules-setting-forth-the-criteria-under

1	which-theAgencymayexerciseitsdiscretionary	
2	authorityto-require-investigations-and-the-minimum	
3	field-requirements-for-conducting-investigations.	
4	(3)Sites-shall-be-elassified-as-HighPriorityif	
5	any-of-the-following-are-met:	
6	(A)Thesite-is-located-in-an-area-designated	
7	A1,-A2,-A3,-A4,-A5,-AX,-B1,-B2,-BX,-C1,-C2,-C3,C4,	
8	orC5ontheIllinois-Geological-Survey-Circular	
9	(1984)titled"PotentialforContaminationof	
10	ShallowAquifers-in-Illinois,"-by-Berg,-Richard-C.,	
11	et-al.i-a-site-evaluation-under-the-directionofa	
12	Licensed-Professional-Engineer-verifies-the-physical	
13	soilclassifications-conditions-are-consistent-with	
14	those-indicated-on-theIllinoisGeologicalSurvey	
15	Circular(1984)entitled"Potentialfor	
16	Contamination-of-Shallow-Aquifers-inIllinois-"by	
17	$Berg_{7}-Richard-C_{7}-et-al_{7}-and-the-results-of-the$	
18	physicalsoilelassificationandgroundwater	
19	investigation-indicate-that-an-applicableindicator	
20	contaminantgroundwaterqualitystandardor	
21	groundwaterobjectivehasbeenexceededatthe	
22	propertyboundarylineor200feetfromthe	
23	exeavation,whicheverisless-as-a-consequence-of	
24	the-underground-storage-tank-release.	
25	(B)The-underground-storage-tank-is-within-the	
26	minimum-or-maximum-setback-zone-of-apotablewater	
27	supplywell-or-regulated-recharge-area-of-a-potable	
28	water-supply-well.	
29	(C) There-is-evidence-that, -through-natural-or	
30	manmade-pathways,-migration-of-petroleumorvapors	
31	threatenhumanhealth-or-human-safety-or-may-cause	
32	explosionsinbasements,erawlspaces,utility	
33	conduits,storm-or-sanitary-sewers,-vaults-or-other	

34 confined-spaces.

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1	(D)ClassIIIspecialresourcegroundwater
2	exists-within-200-feet-of-the-excavation.
3	(E)A-surface-water-body-is-adversely-affected
4	by-the-presence-of-a-visible-sheen-orfreeproduct
5	layerasthe-result-of-an-underground-storage-tank
6	release.
7	(4)Sites-shall-be-elassified-asLowPriorityif
8	all-of-the-following-are-met:
9	(A)The-site-does-not-meet-any-of-the-criteria
10	for-elassification-as-a-High-Priority-Site-
11	(B)-(i)The-site-is-located-in-area-designated
12	A1A2A3A4A5AXB1B2BXC1C2C3C4-
13	C5-on-the-Illinois-Geological-Survey-Circular-(1984)
14	entitled-"PotentialforContaminationofShallow
15	Aquifersin-Illinois,"-by-Berg,-Richard-C.,-et-al.;
16	and
17	(ii)a-site-evaluation-under-the-directionof
18	aLicensedProfessionalEngineerverifiesthe
19	physicalsoilelassificationconditionsare
20	consistentwiththoseindicatedonthe-Illinois
21	Geological-Survey-Circular-(1984)-titled"Potential
22	forContamination-of-Shallow-Aquifers-in-Illinois,"
23	by-Berg,-Richard-C.,-et-al.;-and
24	(iii)theresultsofthephysicalsoil
25	elassificationand-groundwater-investigation-do-not
26	indicateanapplicableindicatorcontaminant
27	groundwaterqualitystandardorgroundwater
28	objective-has-been-exceeded-at-the-property-boundary
29	lineor-200-feet-from-the-underground-storage-tank,
30	whichever-is-less.
31	(5)In-the-event-the-results-of-thephysicalsoil
32	elassification-and-any-required-groundwater-investigation
33	revealthat-the-actual-site-geologic-characteristics-are
34	different-than-those-indicated-by-the-Illinois-Geological

1	SurveyCircular(1984)titled"Potentialfo	
2	ContaminationofShallow-Aquifers-in-Illinois"-by-Berg,	
3	Richard-C.,-et-al.,-classification-of-the-siteshallbe	
4	determinedusingtheactualsitegeologic	
5	eharacteristics.	
6	(6)For-purposes-of-physicalsoilelassification,	
7	theBoardisauthorizedtoprescribebyregulation	
8	alternativestouseofthe-Illinois-Geological-Survey	
9	Circular-(1984)-titled-"PotentialforContaminationof	
10	Shallow-Aquifers-in-Illinois"-by-Berg,-Richard-C.,-et-al.	
11	(e)Corrective-Action.	
12	(1)High-Priority-Site.	
13	(A)Priortoperformanceofany-corrective	
14	action,-beyond-that-requiredbySection57.6and	
15	subsection(a)ofSection57-7of-this-Act-the	
16	owner-or-operator-shall-prepare-andsubmittothe	
17	Agencyforthe-Agency-s-approval-or-modification-a	
18	corrective-actionplandesignedtomitigateany	
19	threattohumanhealth,humansafetyorthe	
20	environment-resulting-from-theundergroundstorage	
21	tank-release.	
22	(B)Iftheowner-or-operator-intends-to-seek	
23	payment-from-the-Fund,-prior-to-performanceofany	
24	correctiveactionbeyondthat-required-by-Section	
25	57-6-and-subsection-(a)-of-Section-57-7theowner	
26	oroperatorshallsubmittotheAgency-for-the	
27	Agency'sapprovalormodificationacorrective	
28	actionplanbudgetwhichincludes,butisnot	
29	limitedto,anaccounting-of-all-costs-associated	
30	withtheimplementationandcompletionofthe	
31	eorrective-action-plan.	
32	(C)The-corrective-action-plan-shall-do-all-of	
33	the-following:	
34	(i)Providethatapplicableindicator	

1	contaminant-groundwaterqualitystandardsor
2	groundwaterobjectives-will-not-be-exceeded-in
3	groundwater-at-the-propertyboundarylineor
4	200feetfromtheexcavation,whichever-is
5	less,-or-other-level-if-approved-by-the-Agency,
6	foranycontaminantidentifiedinthe
7	groundwaterinvestigationaftercomplete
8	performance-of-the-corrective-action-plan-
9	(ii)ProvidethatClassIIIspecial
10	resourcegroundwaterqualitystandardsfor
11	ClassIIIspecial-resource-groundwater-within
12	200-feet-of-the-excavation-will-not-be-exceeded
13	as-a-result-oftheundergroundstoragetank
14	releaseforanyindicatorcontaminant
15	identifiedinthegroundwaterinvestigation
16	after-complete-performance-ofthecorrective
17	action-plan.
18	(iii)Remediatethreatsduetothe
19	presenceormigration,throughnaturalor
20	manmadepathways,ofpetroleumin
21	concentrationssufficient-to-harm-human-health
22	or-humansafetyortocauseexplosionsin
23	basements,erawlspaces,utilityconduits,
24	stormorsanitarysewersvaultsorother
25	confined-spaces.
26	(iv)Remediate-threats-to-a-potable-water
27	supply.
28	(v)Remediate-threats-to-a-surfacewater
29	body.
30	(D)Within30daysofcompletionofthe
31	correctiveaction,theowneroroperatorshall
32	submit-to-the-Agency-such-a-completionreportthat
33	includes-a-description-of-the-corrective-action-plan
34	andadescriptionofthecorrective-action-work

1 performed-and-all--analytical--or--sampling--results derived--from--performance--of-the-corrective-action 2 plan. 3 4 (E)--The-Agency-shall-issue--to--the--owner--or 5 operator---a---no---further--remediation--letter--in accordance--with--Section--57.10--if--all---of---the 6 7 following-are-met: 8 (i)--The---corrective---action--completion 9 report--demonstrates---that:---(a)---applicable 10 indicator --- contaminant --- groundwater --- quality 11 standards--or--groundwater--objectives--are-not 12 exceeded-at-the-property-boundary-line--or--200 13 feet-from-the-excavation,-whichever-is-less,-as 14 a---result-of-the-underground-storage-tank15 release---for---any----indicator----contaminant 16 identified--in--the--groundwater-investigation; 17 (b)-Class-III-special-use-resource--groundwater quality--standards,--for--Class-III-special-use 18 19 resource-groundwater-within--200--feet--of--the 20 underground-storage-tank,-are-not-exceeded-as-a 21 result--of-the-underground-storage-tank-release 22 for---any---contaminant---identified---in---the groundwater-investigation;-(c)-the--underground 23 24 storage--tank--release--does-not-threaten-human 25 health-or-human-safety-due-to-the--presence--or migration,-through-natural-or-manmade-pathways, 26 27 of---petroleum---or---hazardous--substances--in concentrations-sufficient-to-harm-human--health 28 29 or--human--safety--or--to--cause--explosions-in 30 basements,--erawl--spaces,--utility---conduits, 31 storm--or--sanitary--sewers,--vaults--or--other confined--spaces;--(d)--the-underground-storage 32 33 tank-release--does--not--threaten--any--surface 34 water--body;--and--(e)--the-underground-storage

1 tank-release--does--not--threaten--any--potable 2 water-supply. 3 (ii)--The-owner-or-operator-submits-to-the 4 Agency---a---certification---from---a--Licensed 5 Professional-Engineer-that-the--work--described in-the-approved-corrective-action-plan-has-been 6 7 completed-and-that-the-information-presented-in 8 the--corrective--action--completion--report--is 9 accurate-and-complete-10 (2)--Low-Priority-Site-11 (A)--Corrective--action--at-a-low-priority-site 12 must-include-groundwater-monitoring-consistent--with 13 part-(B)-of-this-paragraph-(2)-14 (B)--Prior--to--implementation--of--groundwater 15 monitoring, -- the -owner -or -operator - shall - prepare - and 16 submit-to-the-Agency-a-groundwater--monitoring--plan 17 and,--if--the--owner--or--operator--intends--to-seek payment-under-this-Title,-an-associated-budget-which 18 19 includes,-at-a-minimum,-all-of-the-following; 20 (i)--Placement-of--groundwater--monitoring 21 wells-at-the-property-line,-or-at-200-feet-from 22 the--excavation--which-ever-is-eloser,-designed 23 to-provide-the-greatest-likelihood-of-detecting 24 migration-of-groundwater-contamination. 25 (ii)--Quarterly-groundwater-sampling-for-a 26 period-of-one-year,--semi-annual--sampling-for 27 the-second-year-and-annual-groundwater-sampling 28 for--one--subsequent--year--for--all--indicator 29 contaminants--identified-during-the-groundwater 30 investigation. 31 (iii)--The-annual-submittal-to-the--Agency of-a-summary-of-groundwater-sampling-results. 32 33 (C)--If---at---any--time--groundwater--sampling 34 results---indicate---a--confirmed---exceedence---of

1	1 applicable-indicator-contamina	nt-groundwater-quality
2	2 standards-or-groundwater-objec	tives-as-aresultof
3	3 theundergroundstorage-tank	-release,-the-site-may
4	4 be-reclassified-asaHighF	PrioritySitebythe
5	5 Ageneyatanytimebefore	etheAgency_sfinal
6	6 approval-of-a-LowPriorityg	roundwatermonitoring
7	7 completionreportAgency-rev	iew-and-approval-shall
8	8 be-in-accordance-with-paragrap	h(4)ofsubsection
9	9 (e)-of-this-SectionIf-the-ow	mer-or-operator-elects
10	0 to-appeal-an-Agency-action-to-	disapprove,-modify,-or
11	1 rejectbyoperationof	-lawaLowPriority
12	2 groundwater-monitoring-complet	ion-report,-the-Agency
13	3 shall-indicate-to-the-Board-in	-eonjunction-with-such
14	4 appeal-whether-it-intends-to-r	eelassify-the-siteas
15	5 HighPriorityIf-a-site-is-	reelassified-as-a-High
16	6 Priority-Site,-the-owner-or-op	erator-shall-submita
17	7 correctiveactionplanand-	-budgetto-the-Agency
18	8 within-120-daysoftheconf	irmedexceedenceand
19	9 shall-initiate-compliance-with	-all-corrective-action
20	0 requirements-for-a-High-Priori	ty-Site.
21	1 (D)If,throughoutthe	e-implementation-of-the
22	2 groundwatermonitoringpla	n,thegroundwater
23	3 sampling-results-do-notconfi	rmanexceedenceof
24	4 applicable-indicator-contamina	nt-groundwater-quality
25	5 standardsorgroundwater-obj	eetives-as-a-result-of
26	6 the-underground-storage-tank-r	elease,-theowneror
27	7 operatorshall-submit-to-the-	Agency-a-certification
28	8 of-a-Licensed-Professional-Eng	ineer-so-stating.
29	9 (E)UnlesstheAgency-	-takesactionunder
30	0 subsection{b}(2)(C)torec	lassify-a-site-as-high
31	1 priority,-uponreceiptofa	certificationbya
32	2 Licensed-Professional-Engineer	-submitted-pursuant-to
33	3 paragraph-(2)-of-subsection-(c	+)-of-this-Section,-the
34	4 Agencyshallissuetothe-	owner-or-operator-a-no

1 further--remediation--letter--in---accordance---with Section-57-10-2 3 (3)--No-Further-Action-Site-4 (A)--No---Further---Action---sites--require--no 5 remediation-beyond-that-required-in-Section-57.6-and subsection-(a)-of--this--Section--if--the--owner--or 6 7 operator-has-submitted-to-the-Agency-a-certification 8 by--a--Licensed--Professional-Engineer-that-the-site 9 meets-all-of-the-criteria-for-classification-as--No 10 Further-Action-in-subsection-(b)-of-this-Section. 11 (B)--Unless--the--Agency-takes-action-to-reject 12 or-modify-a-site-elassification-under-subsection-(b) 13 of--this--Section--or--the--site--classification--is 14 rejected-by-operation-of-law-under--item--(4)(B)--of 15 subsection--(c)--of--this-Section,-upon-receipt-of-a 16 certification-by-a--Licensed--Professional--Engineer 17 submitted--pursuant--to-part-(A)-of-paragraph-(3)-of subsection-(c)-of-this--Section,--the--Agency--shall 18 issue---to--the--owner--or--operator--a--no--further 19 20 remediation-letter-in-accordance-with-Section-57.10. 21 (c) (4) Agency review and approval.

(1) (A) Agency approval of any plan and associated
budget, as described in this <u>subsection (c)</u> item-(4),
shall be considered final approval for purposes of
seeking and obtaining payment from the Underground
Storage Tank Fund if the costs associated with the
completion of any such plan are less than or equal to the
amounts approved in such budget.

29 (2) (B) In the event the Agency fails to approve, 30 disapprove, or modify any plan or report submitted 31 pursuant to this Title in writing within 120 days of the 32 receipt by the Agency, the plan or report shall be 33 considered to be rejected by operation of law for 34 purposes of this Title and rejected for purposes of -22-

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payment from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Fund.

2 (A) (i) For purposes of those plans as identified in paragraph (5) subparagraph-(E) of this 3 4 subsection (c) (e)(4), the Agency's review may be an Such review or audit shall be 5 audit procedure. consistent with the procedure for such review or 6 7 audit as promulgated by the Board under  $i \pm em - (7) - of$ 8 subsection-(b)-of Section 57.14. The Agency has the 9 authority to establish an auditing program to verify compliance of such plans with the provisions of this 10 11 Title.

12 (B) (ii) For purposes of corrective action 13 these plans submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section Part-(E)-(iii)-of--this--paragraph--(4) 14 15 for which payment from the Fund is not being sought, 16 the Agency need not take action on such plan until 17 120 days after it receives the corrective action completion report required under subsection (b) of 18 this Section Section-57(c)(1)(D). In the event the 19 20 Agency approved the plan, it shall proceed under the 21 provisions of this subsection (c) Section-57(c)(4).

22 (3) (C) In approving any plan submitted pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of this Section Part-(E)-of-this 23 paragraph-(4), the Agency shall determine, by a procedure 24 promulgated by the Board under item-(7)-of-subsection-(b) 25 of Section 57.14, that the costs associated with the plan 26 27 are reasonable, will be incurred in the performance of site investigation or corrective action, and will not be 28 used for <u>site investigation or</u> 29 corrective action activities in excess of those required to meet the 30 minimum requirements of this Title. 31

32 <u>(4)</u> (D) For any plan or report received after the 33 effective date of this amendatory Act of 2002 1993, any 34 action by the Agency to disapprove or modify a plan submitted pursuant to this Title shall be provided to the owner or operator in writing within 120 days of the receipt by the Agency or, in the case of a <u>site</u> <u>investigation plan or</u> corrective action plan for which payment is not being sought, within 120 days of receipt of the <u>site investigation completion report or</u> corrective action completion report, <u>respectively</u>, and shall be

9 <u>(A)</u> (i) an explanation of the Sections of this 10 Act which may be violated if the plans were 11 approved;

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accompanied by:

12 (B) (ii) an explanation of the provisions of 13 the regulations, promulgated under this Act, which 14 may be violated if the plan were approved;

15 <u>(C)</u> (iii) an explanation of the specific type 16 of information, if any, which the Agency deems the 17 applicant did not provide the Agency; and

18(D) (iv) a statement of specific reasons why19the Act and the regulations might not be met if the20plan were approved.

21 Any action by the Agency to disapprove or modify a 22 plan or report or the rejection of any plan or report by 23 operation of law shall be subject to appeal to the Board in accordance with the procedures of Section 40. If the 24 25 owner or operator elects to incorporate modifications required by the Agency rather than appeal, an amended 26 plan shall be submitted to the Agency within 35 days of 27 receipt of the Agency's written notification. 28

29 (5) (E) For purposes of this Title, the term "plan"
30 shall include:

31 <u>(A) Any site investigation plan submitted</u>
32 <u>pursuant to subsection (a) of this Section;</u>
33 <u>(B) Any site investigation budget submitted</u>
34 <u>pursuant to subsection (a) of this Section;</u>

1 (i)--Any--physical-soil-classification-and 2 groundwater---investigation---plan----submitted 3 pursuant--to--item--(1)(A)-of-subsection-(a)-of 4 this-Section,--or--budget--under--item--(2)--of 5 subsection-(a)-of-this-Section;

6 (ii)--Any--groundwater--monitoring-plan-or 7 budget---submitted---pursuant---to---subsection 8 (c)(2)(B)-of-this-Section;

9 (C) (iii) Any corrective action plan submitted
10 pursuant to subsection (b) (e)(1)(A) of this
11 Section; or

12(D) (iv) Any corrective action plan budget13submitted pursuant to subsection (b) (e)(i)(B) of14this Section.

15 (d) For purposes of this Title, the term "indicator 16 contaminant" shall mean, unless and until the Board promulgates regulations to the contrary, the following: (i) 17 if an underground storage tank contains gasoline, 18 the 19 indicator parameter shall be BTEX and Benzene; (ii) if the tank contained petroleum products consisting of middle 20 21 distillate or heavy ends, then the indicator parameter shall 22 be determined by a scan of PNA's taken from the location 23 where contamination is most likely to be present; and (iii) if the tank contained used oil, 24 then the indicator 25 contaminant shall be those chemical constituents which indicate the type of petroleum stored in an underground 26 27 storage tank. All references in this Title to groundwater objectives shall mean Class I groundwater standards or 28 29 objectives as applicable.

30 (e) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section,
 31 an owner or operator may proceed to conduct <u>site</u>
 32 <u>investigation or physical----elassification</u>,
 33 groundwater--investigation,--site-elassification-or-other
 34 corrective action prior to the submittal or approval of

an otherwise required plan. If the owner or operator 1 2 elects to so proceed, an applicable plan shall be filed with the Agency at any time. Such plan shall detail the 3 4 steps taken to determine the type of site investigation or corrective action which was necessary at the site 5 along with the <u>site investigation</u> or corrective action 6 taken or to be taken, in addition to costs associated 7 with activities to date and anticipated costs. 8

9 Upon receipt of a plan submitted (2) after activities have commenced at a site, the Agency shall 10 11 proceed to review in the same manner as required under this Title. In the event the Agency disapproves all or 12 part of the costs, the owner or operator may appeal such 13 decision to the Board. The owner or operator shall not 14 be eligible to be reimbursed for such disapproved costs 15 16 unless and until the Board determines that such costs were eligible for payment. 17

18 (Source: P.A. 88-496; 88-668, eff. 9-16-94; 89-428, eff.
19 1-1-96; 89-457, eff. 5-22-96.)

20 (415 ILCS 5/57.8)

21 Sec. 57.8. Underground Storage Tank Fund; payment; 22 options for State payment; deferred correction election to commence corrective action upon availability of funds. If an 23 owner or operator is eligible to access the Underground 24 Storage Tank Fund pursuant to an Office of State Fire Marshal 25 eligibility/deductible final determination letter issued in 26 accordance with Section 57.9, the owner or operator may 27 submit a complete application for final or partial payment to 28 29 the Agency for activities taken in response to a confirmed release. An owner or operator may submit a request for 30 31 partial or final payment regarding a site no more frequently 32 than once every 90 days.

33 (a) Payment after completion of corrective action

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1 measures. The owner or operator may submit an application for 2 payment for activities performed at a site after completion 3 of the requirements of Sections 57.6 and 57.7, or after 4 completion of any other required activities at the 5 underground storage tank site.

(1) In the case of any approved plan and budget for 6 7 which payment is being sought, the Agency shall make а payment determination within 120 days of receipt of the 8 9 application. Such determination shall be considered а final decision. The Agency's review shall be limited to 10 11 generally accepted auditing and accounting practices. In 12 no case shall the Agency conduct additional review of any plan which was completed within the budget, beyond 13 auditing for adherence to the corrective action measures 14 15 the proposal. If the Agency fails to approve the in 16 payment application within 120 days, such application shall be deemed approved by operation of law and the 17 Agency shall proceed to reimburse the owner or operator 18 19 the amount requested in the payment application. However, in no event shall the Agency reimburse the owner 20 21 or operator an amount greater than the amount approved in 22 the plan.

23 If sufficient funds are available in (2)the Underground Storage Tank Fund, the Agency shall, within 24 25 60 days, forward to the Office of the State Comptroller a voucher in the amount approved under 26 the payment application. 27

the case of insufficient funds, the Agency 28 (3) In 29 shall form a priority list for payment and shall notify persons in such priority list monthly of the availability 30 of funds and when payment shall be made. Payment shall 31 be made to the owner or operator at such time as 32 sufficient funds become available for the costs 33 associated with site investigation and corrective action 34

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1 and costs expended for activities performed where no 2 proposal is required, if applicable. Such priority list shall be available to any owner or operator upon request. 3 4 Priority for payment shall be determined by the date the Agency receives a complete request for partial or final 5 payment. Upon receipt of notification from the Agency 6 7 that the requirements of this Title have been met, the 8 Comptroller shall make payment to the owner or operator 9 of the amount approved by the Agency, if sufficient money exists in the Fund. If there is insufficient money in 10 11 the Fund, then payment shall not be made. If the owner 12 or operator appeals a final Agency payment determination and it is determined that the owner or operator is 13 eligible for payment or additional payment, the priority 14 15 date for the payment or additional payment shall be the 16 same as the priority date assigned to the original request for partial or final payment. 17

18 (4) Any deductible, as determined pursuant to the 19 Office of the State Fire Marshal's eligibility and 20 deductibility final determination in accordance with 21 Section 57.9, shall be subtracted from any payment 22 invoice paid to an eligible owner or operator. Only one 23 deductible shall apply per underground storage tank site.

(5) In the event that costs are or will be incurred
in addition to those approved by the Agency, or after
payment, the owner or operator may submit successive
plans containing amended budgets. The requirements of
Section 57.7 shall apply to any amended plans.

29 (6) For purposes of this Section, a complete30 application shall consist of:

(A) A certification from a Licensed
 Professional Engineer as required under this Title
 and acknowledged by the owner or operator.

34 (B) A statement of the <u>amounts</u> amount approved

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in the <u>budget</u> plan and the <u>amounts</u> amount actually sought for payment along with a certified statement <u>by the owner or operator</u> that the <u>amounts</u> amount so sought <u>were</u> shall-be expended in conformance with the approved budget.

6 (C) A copy of the Office of the State Fire 7 Marshal's eligibility and deductibility 8 determination.

9 (D) Proof that approval of the payment 10 requested will not result in the limitations set 11 forth in subsection (g) of this Section being 12 exceeded.

13 (E) A federal taxpayer identification number
14 and legal status disclosure certification on a form
15 prescribed and provided by the Agency.

16 (b) Commencement of site investigation or corrective action upon availability of funds. The Board shall adopt 17 regulations setting forth procedures based on risk to human 18 19 health or the environment under which the owner or operator who has received approval for any budget plan submitted 20 21 pursuant to Section 57.7, and who is eligible for payment 22 from the Underground Storage Tank Fund pursuant to an Office 23 of the State Fire Marshal eligibility and deductibility determination, may elect to defer site investigation or 24 25 corrective action elassification, -- low -- priority -- groundwater monitoring, --- or --- remediation activities until funds are 26 27 available in an amount equal to the amount approved in the budget plan. The regulations shall establish criteria based 28 on risk to human health or the environment to be used for 29 30 determining on a site-by-site basis whether deferral is appropriate. The regulations also shall establish the 31 32 minimum investigatory requirements for determining whether the risk based criteria are present at a site considering 33 34 deferral and procedures for the notification of owners or operators of insufficient funds, Agency review of request for
 deferral, notification of Agency final decisions, returning
 deferred sites to active status, and earmarking of funds for
 payment.

5 (c) When the owner or operator requests indemnification 6 for payment of costs incurred as a result of a release of 7 petroleum from an underground storage tank, if the owner or 8 operator has satisfied the requirements of subsection (a) of 9 this Section, the Agency shall forward a copy of the request 10 to the Attorney General. The Attorney General shall review 11 and approve the request for indemnification if:

(1) there is a legally enforceable judgment entered against the owner or operator and such judgment was entered due to harm caused by a release of petroleum from an underground storage tank and such judgment was not entered as a result of fraud; or

17 (2) a settlement with a third party due to a
18 release of petroleum from an underground storage tank is
19 reasonable.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Title, 20 (d) 21 the Agency shall not approve payment to an owner or operator 22 from the Fund for costs of corrective action or 23 indemnification incurred during a calendar year in excess of the following aggregate amounts based on the number of 24 25 petroleum underground storage tanks owned or operated by such owner or operator in Illinois. 26

27AmountNumber of Tanks28\$1,000,000.....fewer than 10129\$3,000,000\$2,000,000\$2,000,00030(1) Costs incurred in excess of the aggregate31amounts set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection32shall not be eligible for payment in subsequent years.

33 (2) For purposes of this subsection, requests
34 submitted by any of the agencies, departments, boards,

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1 2 committees or commissions of the State of Illinois shall be acted upon as claims from a single owner or operator.

3 (3) For purposes of this subsection, owner or
4 operator includes (i) any subsidiary, parent, or joint
5 stock company of the owner or operator and (ii) any
6 company owned by any parent, subsidiary, or joint stock
7 company of the owner or operator.

corrective action or indemnification 8 (e) Costs of 9 incurred by an owner or operator which have been paid to an owner or operator under a policy of insurance, another 10 11 written agreement, or a court order are not eligible for payment under this Section. An owner or operator who 12 receives payment under a policy of insurance, another written 13 agreement, or a court order shall reimburse the State to the 14 15 extent such payment covers costs for which payment was 16 received from the Fund. Any monies received by the State under this subsection (e) shall be deposited into the Fund. 17

(f) Until the Board adopts regulations pursuant to Section 57.14, handling charges are eligible for payment only if they are equal to or less than the amount determined by the following table:

22 Subcontract or field Eligible Handling Charges
23 Purchase Cost as a Percentage of Cost

31 (1) for costs of corrective action incurred by such 32 owner or operator in an amount in excess of \$1,000,000 33 per occurrence; and

34 (2) for costs of indemnification of such owner or

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operator in an amount in excess of \$1,000,000 per
 occurrence.

3 (h) Payment of any amount from the Fund for corrective 4 action or indemnification shall be subject to the State 5 acquiring by subrogation the rights of any owner, operator, 6 or other person to recover the costs of corrective action or 7 indemnification for which the Fund has compensated such 8 owner, operator, or person from the person responsible or 9 liable for the release.

(i) If the Agency refuses to pay or authorizes only a
partial payment, the affected owner or operator may petition
the Board for a hearing in the manner provided for the review
of permit decisions in Section 40 of this Act.

(j) Costs of corrective action or indemnification incurred by an owner or operator prior to July 28, 1989, shall not be eligible for payment or reimbursement under this Section.

18 (k) The Agency shall not pay costs of corrective action 19 or indemnification incurred before providing notification of 20 the release of petroleum in accordance with the provisions of 21 this Title.

(1) Corrective action does not include legal defense costs. Legal defense costs include legal costs for seeking payment under this Title unless the owner or operator prevails before the Board in which case the Board may authorize payment of legal fees.

27 (m) The Agency may apportion payment of costs for plans
28 submitted under Section <u>57.7</u> 57.7(e)(4)(E)(±i±) if:

(1) the owner or operator was deemed eligible to
access the Fund for payment of corrective action costs
for some, but not all, of the underground storage tanks
at the site; and

33 (2) the owner or operator failed to justify all
 34 costs attributable to each underground storage tank at

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the site.
 (n) The Agency shall not pay costs associated with a
 <u>corrective action plan incurred after the Agency provides</u>
 <u>notification to the owner or operator pursuant to item (7) of</u>

5 <u>subsection (b) of Section 57.7 that a revised corrective</u> 6 <u>action plan is required. Costs associated with any</u> 7 <u>subsequently approved corrective action plan shall be</u> 8 <u>eligible for reimbursement if they meet the requirements of</u> 9 <u>this Title.</u>

10 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

11 (415 ILCS 5/57.10)

Sec. 57.10. Professional Engineer certification;presumptions against liability.

Within 120 days of the Agency's receipt of a No 14 (a) 15 Further-Action-site-classification--report, --a--Low--Priority groundwater--monitoring-report,-or-a-High-Priority corrective 16 17 action completion report, the Agency shall issue to the owner 18 or operator a "no further remediation letter" unless the Agency has requested a modification, issued a rejection under 19 subsection (d) of this Section, or the report has been 20 rejected by operation of law. 21

22 (b) By certifying such а statement, а Licensed Professional Engineer shall in no way be liable thereon, 23 24 unless the engineer gave such certification despite his or her actual knowledge that the performed measures were not in 25 compliance with applicable 26 statutory or regulatory 27 requirements or any plan submitted to the Agency.

(c) The Agency's issuance of a no further remediation letter shall signify, based on the certification of the Licensed Professional Engineer, that:

31 (1) all statutory and regulatory corrective 32 action requirements applicable to the occurrence have 33 been complied with;

1 (2) all corrective action concerning the 2 remediation of the occurrence has been completed; and (3) no further corrective action concerning the 3 4 occurrence is necessary for the protection of human 5 health, safety and the environment. (d) The no further remediation letter issued under this 6 7 Section shall apply in favor of the following parties: 8 (1) The owner or operator to whom the letter was 9 issued. (2) Any parent corporation or subsidiary of such 10 11 owner or operator. (3) Any co-owner or co-operator, either by joint 12 tenancy, right-of-survivorship, or any other party 13 sharing a legal relationship with the owner or operator 14 to whom the letter is issued. 15 16 (4) Any holder of a beneficial interest of a land trust or inter vivos trust whether revocable or 17 irrevocable. 18 19 (5) Any mortgagee or trustee of a deed of trust of such owner or operator. 20 (6) Any successor-in-interest of such owner or 21 22 operator. 23 (7) Any transferee of such owner or operator whether the transfer was by sale, bankruptcy proceeding, 24 25 partition, dissolution of marriage, settlement or adjudication of any civil action, charitable gift, or 26 27 bequest. Any heir or devisee or such owner or operator. 28 (8) 29 (e) If the Agency notifies the owner or operator that 30 the "no further remediation" letter has been rejected, the grounds for such rejection shall be described in the notice. 31 Such a decision shall be a final determination which may be 32 33 appealed by the owner or operator.

34 (f) The Board shall adopt rules setting forth the

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1 criteria under which the Agency may require an owner or 2 operator to conduct further investigation or remediation 3 related to a release for which a no further remediation 4 letter has been issued.

5 (g) Holders of security interests in sites subject to 6 the requirements of this Title XVI shall be entitled to the 7 same protections and subject to the same responsibilities 8 provided under general regulations promulgated under Subtitle 9 I of the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 (P.L. 10 98-616) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 11 (P.L. 94-580).

12 (Source: P.A. 88-496; 89-428, eff. 1-1-96; 89-457, eff. 13 5-22-96.)

## 14 (415 ILCS 5/57.13)

Sec. 57.13. Underground Storage Tank Program; transition.
(a) If a release is reported to the proper State
authority on or after the effective date of this amendatory
Act of 2002 1993, the owner or operator shall comply with the
requirements of this Title.

20 (b) If a release is reported to the proper State authority prior to the effective date of this amendatory Act 21 22 of 2002 1993, the owner or operator of an underground storage tank may elect to proceed in accordance with the requirements 23 24 of this Title by submitting a written statement to the Agency 25 of such election. If the owner or operator elects to proceed under the requirements of this Title all costs incurred in 26 27 connection with the incident prior to notification shall be 28 reimbursable in the same manner as was allowable under the 29 then existing law. Completion of corrective action shall then 30 follow the provisions of this Title. Owners and operators who 31 have not elected to proceed in accordance with the 32 requirements of this Title shall proceed in accordance with the law in effect prior to the effective date of this 33

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1	amendatory Act of 2002.
2	(Source: P.A. 88-496.)
3	(415 ILCS 5/57.14A new)
4	Sec. 57.14A. Rules.
5	(a) The Agency shall propose and the Board shall adopt
6	amendments to the rules governing the administration of this
7	<u>Title to make the rules consistent with the provisions</u>
8	herein.
9	(b) Until such time as the amended rules required under
10	this Section take effect, the Agency shall administer this
11	Title in accordance with the provisions herein.
12	Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

13 becoming law.