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Mr. Thomas Reuter
Freedom of Information Officer
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
1021 North Grand Avenue East
Springfield, IL 62974-9276

Dear Mr. Reuter:

RE: FOIA Pre-Approval Request – No. 7913

We have received and reviewed the written notice from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) of its intent to deny certain documents requested by as exempt from disclosure under Section 7(1)(f) of the Freedom of Information Act. Weaver Boos Consultants had requested from the IEPA all documents related to Wisconsin Steel located at 2800 E. 106th Street in Chicago. The IEPA intends to provide most of the requested documents, but it seeks to withhold 14 as exempt under Section (1)(f).

As a result of this review, we have determined that it is appropriate to decline to disclose the documents in question under subsection 7(1)(f) because they constitute preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, and/or memoranda in which opinions are expressed or policies or actions are formulated. Therefore, the request to assert the exemption under subsection 7(1)(f) for the documents in question is hereby approved and further inquiry into this matter is not warranted.


If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 312-814-2770. This

correspondence will serve to close the matter.

Sincerely,

Cara Smith
Public Access Counselor

By:


John Schmidt
Assistant Attorney General

cc: Weaver Boos Consultants
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