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MADIGAN HOSTS SUMMIT ON CAMPUS SEXUAL VIOLENCE, DETAILS BILL TO STRENGTHEN SCHOOLS' RESPONSE TO INCIDENTS

Chicago — Attorney General Lisa Madigan today announced a settlement with Winnebago Reclamation Services Inc. (WRS) for air pollution and permit violations related to the operation of its landfill.

Under the terms of the settlement, WRS will pay \$219,000 to the state to settle alleged violations of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act. According to the settlement, faulty operations and monitoring failures at the Rockford-based landfill resulted in the emission of landfill gases including hydrogen sulfide and sulfur dioxide.

According to the settlement, WRS will improve its gas collection systems, perform regular inspections and maintenance of its cover system, improve record-keeping and will submit compliance reports to the Illinois EPA in a timely manner. Additionally, WRS will maintain an Odor Complaint Reporting System that enables residents to report odor complaints online or through a hotline.

"The new procedures are intended to improve how the company handles emissions at the site while implementing a process for more effectively handling area residents' complaints," Madigan said.

The state was represented by Assistant Attorney General Christopher Grant.

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