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**Bureau of Environmental Programs**

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September 14, 2018

Pike Pigs Systems  
Gin Ridge, LLC  
1113 E. Washington  
Pittsfield, IL 62363

**RE: Facility ID#: LF0010560000**

Dear Facility Owner/Operator:

Pursuant to Section 12.1 of the Livestock Management Facilities Act (Act) (510 Illinois Compiled Statutes (ILCS) 77/12.1), the Illinois Department of Agriculture (Department) has reviewed all documents relative to your proposed construction of a livestock management facility and livestock waste handling facility. These documents include: the notice of intent to construct application; transcripts and related exhibits from the informational meeting held on June 27, 2018; and all additional information submitted and received by the Department regarding your proposed facility. As a result of the review, the Department finds that additional information is needed in order for the Department to make its final determination regarding the siting of your proposed facility as required by Section 12.1(a-5) of the Act and 8 Illinois Administrative Code (IAC) 900.407. Our additional information request is as follows:

- The Department's pre-construction inspection indicates that a well may be located on or near the property on which the facility is proposed to be constructed. Please indicate the status and condition of the said well (abandoned, sealed, etc.). Please submit a revised site plan drawing of the proposed facility indicating the location of the well and document the exact distances from the well to the nearest portion of each of the proposed livestock waste handling structures.
- Please provide further details regarding the Attachment #3 road improvement drawings. Please provide a detailed narrative description of all improvements that are proposed to 2050E Street, 1700N Avenue, the connection between these roads, and the associated rights-of-way. Please indicate the current width and proposed width of each road near and around the corner connecting the roads. Please provide a revised Attachment #3 drawing clearly indicating the current and proposed width dimensions of each road approaching the intersection, the current and proposed width of the road around the curve, and the turn radius dimension.
- The facility's latest submittal indicates that "all proposed agreements are binding to final approval of the facility". Please provide copies of all proposed and/or executed agreements between Gin Ridge, LLC and Columbus Township regarding upgrades and improvements to 1700 N Avenue and 2050 E Street and the curve connecting these roads.

Please be advised, the Department will be unable to make a final determination concerning the status of your proposal until all applicable items required by the Act have been submitted for Department review.

**Note:** Please be advised of the waste management planning requirements of the Livestock Management Facilities Act (510 ILCS 77/20 (c)) and associated regulation (8 IAC 900.802 (c)) and how they might apply to the proposed facility. Specifically, facilities with a maximum design capacity of 1,000 or greater animal units but less than 5,000 animal units are required to prepare, maintain and implement a plan within 60 working days after commencing operations or exceeding 1,000 animal units. In addition, a form certifying that a waste management plan has been prepared must be submitted to the Department prior to the expiration of the aforementioned 60-day period.

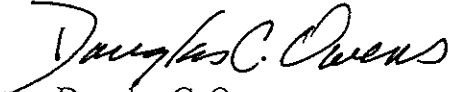
**Note:** Please be advised of the certified livestock manager requirements of the Livestock Management Facilities Act (510 ILCS 77/30) and how they might apply to the proposed facility. A livestock waste handling facility serving 300 animal units or greater shall be operated under the supervision of a certified livestock manager.

**Note:** Please be advised of the animal disposal requirements of the Dead Animal Disposal Act and how they might apply to the proposed facility. Specific questions regarding the requirements of this Act can be addressed to the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Health and Welfare, P.O. Box 19281, Springfield, IL 62794-9281, 217-782-4944.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact the Department at 217/785-2427.

Sincerely,

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



Douglas C. Owens  
Bureau Chief, Environmental Programs

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