IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, NEBRASKA

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ex rel., MICHAEL) J. LINDER, Director, NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY,)		Case No. <u>CT 12 90</u>
	Plaintiff,	OMPLAINT
V.) FILED IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, NEBRASKA
Earl and Virginia Hultman, husband and wife,		AUG 2 3 2012
	Defendants.	CLERKO THE BUCHCI COURT

The State of Nebraska, on behalf of the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ), alleges the following:

- The Plaintiff is the agency of the State of Nebraska charged with the duty, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-1504(1) (Reissue 2008) of exercising exclusive supervision, administration and enforcement of the Environmental Protection Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-1501 (Reissue 2008 and Supp. 2009) et seq.
- The Defendants, Earl and Virginia Hultman, owned and operated a farm 2. that contained swine wastewater lagoons legally described as SW 1/4, Section 8, Township 07N, Range 05W, Clay County, Nebraska.
- Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute §81-1506(1) (a) it is unlawful for 3. any person to cause pollution of any waters or land of the state or to place or cause any wastes to be placed in a location where they are likely to cause pollution of any waters of the state.





- 4. On or about March 5, 2012, the Defendants allowed or caused livestock waste to flow out of swine lagoons and into School Creek. This constitutes a violation of §81-1506 (1) (a).
- 5. Pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-1508.02 (2), a civil penalty is provided in the amount of not more than \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars) for each day of violation. In case of a continuing violation, each day shall constitute a separate offense.

WHEREFORE, the plaintiff prays that judgment be entered in favor of the Plaintiff and against the Defendants in the form of civil penalties as provided in Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-1508.02 (2) and further that all costs of this action be taxed to the Defendants.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ex rel., MICHAEL J. LINDER, Director NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, Plaintiff

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing Complaint has been served upon the Defendant by regular United States mail, first class postage prepaid on this 20th day of August, 2012 addressed to the Defendants as follows:

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