

# **EXHIBIT 24**

**BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**

<b>METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION</b>	)	
<b>DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO,</b>	)	
	)	<b>PCB _____</b>
<b>Petitioner,</b>	)	<b>(Variance-Water)</b>
	)	
<b>v.</b>	)	
	)	
<b>ILLINOIS</b>	)	
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,</b>	)	
	)	
<b>Respondent.</b>	)	

**AFFIDAVIT OF MANJU SHARMA**

I, Manju Sharma, being first duly sworn on oath, depose and states as follows:

1. I am currently employed as Director of the Maintenance and Operations Department of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District in Chicago, Illinois. My professional and educational background is detailed in the attached biography.

2. I participated in the preparation of the Petition for Variance dated July 20, 2015 to the extent it discusses the District's Water Reclamation Plants, Combined Sewer discharges, and the Permits that cover those discharges.

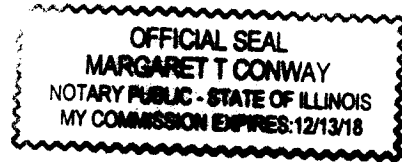
3. I have read the Petition for Variance dated July 20, 2015, and based upon my personal knowledge and belief, the facts stated therein with regard to the District's Water Reclamation Plants, Combined Sewer discharges, and the Permits that cover those discharges are true and correct.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

MP Sr  
Manju Sharma

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2015.

Margaret T. Conway  
Notary Public



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## **Manju Sharma, Director of Maintenance & Operations**

Ms. Sharma began her career at the District as an Assistant Civil Engineer over 22 years ago. Prior to joining the District, Ms. Sharma worked in the consulting industry in Environmental and Geotechnical Engineering including groundwater contamination and air quality modeling, foundation design and inspection, soils sampling and testing as well as construction monitoring and oversight.

At the District, She spent 15 years in the Engineering Department in the Local Sewers, Process Design, Flood Control, and Civil/Structural/Architectural Design Sections, where she worked on design of various treatment plant elements, biosolids handling facilities, and storm water reservoirs, as well as oversight of CUP reservoir projects, and negotiation of various intergovernmental agreements and the Thornton Composite Reservoir mining agreement.

For over seven years now she has been in the M&O Department, where she has been providing technical guidance in reviewing future technologies, contract administration, budget and regulatory permit oversight and negotiations, as well as human resources issues including appointments, disciplinary actions, and grievance resolution. In addition Ms. Sharma provided oversight in operations of waterways, including Lockport Power House and biosolids handling facilities as well as site remediation issues as they pertain to District's land holdings.

She has a bachelors of science degree in civil engineering from California State University, San Jose and a masters of science degree in civil engineering from University of Illinois, Chicago. She is a licensed professional engineer in the state of Illinois. In addition, she is a Diplomate of Environmental Engineering, certified by the American Academy of Environmental Engineers and a Diplomate of Water Resources Engineering certified by the American Academy of Water Resources Engineers.