**Section 955.60 Advisory Opinions from the Department**

a) Requesting an Opinion

An urban agricultural area committee that desires an opinion from the Department as to whether an applicant meets one of the definitions to be considered a qualifying farmer under the Act may request that opinion in writing. The request for an opinion should include the application and all relevant materials. The request should be sent to:

Illinois Department of Agriculture

Attn: Director

P.O. Box 19281

Springfield IL 62794-9281

b) Department's Response

Upon receiving a request for an opinion, the Director shall review and, within 90 days after the date of receipt of the request, notify the urban agricultural area committee in writing of his or her opinion. The written opinion will constitute a "decision" under the Administrative Review Act [735 ILCS 5/Art. III].