

My name is Larry Evans. I am an Executive Board member of the United Congregations of Metro East, I am also Second Vice President of Gamaliel of Illinois and Iowa, representing affiliates like UCM, in Springfield, Davenport-Moline area and Metro Chicago. I live in Glen Carbon, Madison County, Illinois. I was born in Hartford, Illinois (Madison County), about a mile from the banks of the Mississippi River. I grew up in Alton Illinois (Madison County) on Wood River Creek . Wood River Creek enters the Mississippi River at the East Alton Dynegy Power Plant location.

I hiked, swam, ice skated up and down Wood River Creek from the farm land up stream to the Dynegy spillway that creates the reservoir for the power plant.

I observed pollution flowing into the water system from raw home sewage, trash dumps on the banks, to industrial waste seeping from saturated soil and pouring out of pipes. Even as a child, I knew what was unnatural and dangerous. At that young age I was introduced to the preeminent human problem. How do we humans live safely in the midst

of the pollution we create in the business of living? It is with this personal life experience that I address you today.

You must insure long term protection of our waterways and ground water by drafting rules which clearly prevent coal ash from ever getting wet from rain above or ground water below. Rules must clearly state that coal ash can not be closed-in-place if the ash is or will remain wet. Rules must clearly state that clean up shall not be complete until coal ash can not be exposed to water. Finally, rules must state clearly that industry shall not be allowed to install background wells in coal ash impacted areas.

Thank you.

Larry Evans

From: [Larry Evans](#)
To: [Brown, Don](#)
Subject: [External] Coal Ash
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Dear Mr. Brown,

I am sending you a written copy of my public statement given on September 30, 2020 between 12:45pm and 1:00pm.

Thank you,

Larry Evans

United Congregations of Metro East