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Clerk of the Board
Illinois Pollution Control Board
RE: Case No. AS 08-10
100 W. Randolph Street, Suite 11-500
Chicago, IL 60601

To the Clerk of the Illinois Pollution Control Board:

This letter is to file a Hearing Request with the IPCB, regarding Case AS 2008-010:
In the Matter of RCRA Delisting Adjusted Standard Petition for the Peoria Disposal
Company vs. IEPA.

This request is being filed on behalf of Heart of Illinois Group Sierra Club, which has about 900 members in Central Illinois and approximately 600 members in the Peoria metropolitan area. Our group members breathe the air and drink water in Peoria, Tazewell, and surrounding counties, as do their friends and family members. Our group members utilize state and county roads, including Southport Road, and other routes traveled by PDC trucks and other trucks that would be affected by this case. Our group has members in Tazewell County, where PDC owns the Indian Creek Municipal Waste landfill. This landfill is located near Hopedale and is over the Mahomet Aquifer, a major regional water resource. The Mahomet Aquifer is unconfined in several places and we wish to show the relationship for concerns regarding the longterm public health and safety regarding this aquifer and this specific proposal before the IPCB.

Heart of Illinois Sierra has additional concerns regarding the proposed Delisting Adjusted Standard. We wish to raise the following issues in a hearing:

1. although PDC mixes substances with toxic waste in its Waste Stabilization Plant to reduce the parts per million of toxicity level in a particular sampling, the total amounts of hazardous substances remain, but are just spread out by creating more waste that has to be landfilled.
2. delisting will provide the PDC Hazardous Waste Landfill Waste Stabilization Plant an open door to continue taking in toxic wastes without having to landfill them in a RCRA facility, resulting in perpetuation of an archaic process of producing toxic wastes and burying them rather than processing the wastes for recycling. The Steel Dust Recycling Center, Millport, Alabama, will process over 110,000 tons of EAF dust annually to remove lead and zinc for recycling.

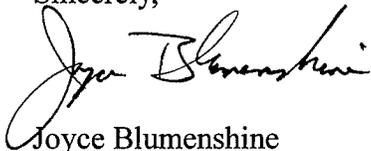
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Delisting enables out-dated and wasteful technologies to continue because of inadequate landfill rate costs and not full RCRA landfilling requirements, rather than maintaining strict standards for toxic wastes that could be hoped to push old industries to more responsible and sustainable practices such as recycling.

If individual private businesses are not willing to move into the 21st Century by utilizing recycling and more sustainable and environmentally responsible processes, members of Heart of Illinois Sierra ask and expect their state environmental agencies and regulators to oppose delisting mechanisms. These mechanisms allow the continuation of huge amounts of unnecessary landfilling of toxics. We contend these wastes are originally and rightfully hazardous wastes and we would appreciate the opportunity to participate in a public hearing regarding this issue.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joyce Blumenshine". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Joyce Blumenshine
volunteer, Heart of Illinois Sierra