

**John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage**

**From:** marissa abramovic <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/27/2011 5:37 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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*PCH 937*

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Sincerely,

marissa abramovic  
Edenton, NC

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**From:** Caitlin McGee <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/27/2011 7:31 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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PC#938

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Sincerely,

Caitlin McGee  
Whitsett, NC

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**From:** Trevor Hansen <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/27/2011 7:51 PM  
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Sincerely,

Trevor Hansen  
Inlet, NY

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**From:** Robin Kivett <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/28/2011 12:15 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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Pc#940

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Sincerely,

Robin Kivett  
Webb City, MO

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**From:** Marianne Good <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/28/2011 8:20 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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*Pct#941*

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Sincerely,

Marianne Good  
Hudiksvall, Sweden

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**From:** Gregory Esteve <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/28/2011 1:05 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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*PC#942*

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Sincerely,

Gregory Esteve  
Lake Wales, FL

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**From:** Jackie Tryggeseth <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/28/2011 4:35 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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Sincerely,

Jackie Tryggeseth  
 Sauk City, WI

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**From:** Delliana of the Sea <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/28/2011 5:45 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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Sincerely,

Delliana of the Sea  
Manitou Springs, CO

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**From:** Lori Kegler <lgk9732@lausd.net>  
**To:** <therriaj@pcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/28/2011 6:22 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

May 28, 2011

Mr. John Therriault  
100 West Randolph St., Ste 11-500  
Chicago, IL 60601

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lori Kegler  
810 W 27th St  
San Pedro, CA 90731-6213

*P CH 945*

From: DAVID LAIRD <david11302000@yahoo.com>  
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
Date: 5/28/2011 8:52 PM  
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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Sincerely,

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Mr. DAVID LAIRD  
1130 W 9th St  
Alton, IL 62002-2320

Pct#946

From: Steven Fenster <sjfenster@gmail.com>  
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
Date: 5/28/2011 9:22 PM  
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

May 28, 2011

Mr. John Therriault  
100 West Randolph St., Ste 11-500  
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*PC#947*

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Sincerely,

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Mr. Steven Fenster  
12 Davis St  
Pemberton, NJ 08068-1231

From: Franklin Platizky <frankiepanky@earthlink.net>  
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
Date: 5/28/2011 11:25 PM  
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

May 28, 2011

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Mr. Franklin Platizky  
3117 Cedar Hill St  
Denton, TX 76209-8350

**From:** Brian Gibbons <btpg2252@yahoo.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/29/2011 8:53 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

May 29, 2011

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100 West Randolph St., Ste 11-500  
Chicago, IL 60601

PC#949

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9133 Edmonston Ter  
Apt 304  
Greenbelt, MD 20770-4568

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**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/29/2011 8:53 AM  
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*PC#950*

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Sincerely,

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Mr. Peter Dunlap  
106 Richard Dr SE  
Leesburg, VA 20175-6128

**John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage**

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**From:** Jennifer Bland <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/29/2011 12:25 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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PC#951

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Sincerely,

Jennifer Bland  
Rogers, AR

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**From:** joshua van deventer <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/29/2011 1:25 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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goodview, VA

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**From:** Angie Starling <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/29/2011 2:10 PM  
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pet # 953

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Sincerely,

Angie Starling  
Hickory, NC

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From: David Grant <d2avid@charter.net>  
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
Date: 5/29/2011 7:54 PM  
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC# 954

May 29, 2011

Mr. John Therriault  
100 West Randolph St., Ste 11-500  
Chicago, IL 60601

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Sincerely,

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Dr. David Grant  
211 Stanford Ave  
Medford, OR 97504-9734

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**From:** Lee Margulies <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/29/2011 8:20 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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*PCH 955*

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Lee Margulies  
Stony Brook, NY

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**From:** Nicholas Ellis <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/29/2011 8:30 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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PC#956

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Sincerely,

Nicholas Ellis  
Machesney Park, IL

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**From:** James Walker <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/29/2011 10:20 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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Sincerely,

James Walker  
janesville, WI

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pet #951

From: Michele Johnson <mmjohns1@uno.edu>  
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
Date: 5/30/2011 6:25 AM  
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

May 30, 2011

Mr. John Therriault  
100 West Randolph St., Ste 11-500  
Chicago, IL 60601

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Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Dr. Michele Johnson  
216 Lake Tahoe Dr  
Slidell, LA 70461-3628

PC#958

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**From:** J Colon <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/30/2011 8:10 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

*PCT# 959*

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Sincerely,

J Colon  
Columbus, OH

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**From:** Donna Sarno <donnasarno@live.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@pcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/30/2011 10:25 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

*PC#960*

May 30, 2011

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Thank you for considering my request.

Since our President was using Chicago to start on the road to the presidency if he wants to stay in Washington he will need to do a little more for our river, as well as all the rivers being devastated in our country. My vote will not be automatic. I want to see something actually accomplished so our children can grow up and enjoy our rivers.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Donna Sarno  
324 Klein Creek Ct  
Apt B  
Carol Stream, IL 60188-3705

**From:** Bhavani Saravanan <the.viggu@gmail.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/30/2011 4:56 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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Dr. Bhavani Saravanan  
655 Denards MI SE  
Marietta, GA 30067-5150

PC#961

**John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage**

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**From:** Jon Spinac <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/30/2011 9:10 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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*PC#962*

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Sincerely,

Jon Spinac  
New York, NY

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**From:** Tanya Willis <mail@change.org>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/31/2011 12:06 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC #063

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Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Tanya Willis  
 Lewes, DE

Note: this email was sent as part of a petition started on Change.org, viewable at [www.change.org/petitions/4-stop-dumping-raw-sewage-into-the-chicago-river](http://www.change.org/petitions/4-stop-dumping-raw-sewage-into-the-chicago-river). To respond, email [responses@change.org](mailto:responses@change.org) and include a link to this petition. 

**From:** Joe adams <jadams\_60188@yahoo.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 5/31/2011 1:58 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

May 31, 2011

Mr. John Therriault  
100 West Randolph St., Ste 11-500  
Chicago, IL 60601

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