

From: Don Dubin <don.dubin@yahoo.com>  
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
Date: 6/17/2011 7:28 PM  
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Mr. John Therriault  
100 West Randolph St., Ste 11-500  
Chicago, IL 60601

Dear Mr. Therriault,

As a supporter of American Rivers, I am writing to ask you to kill the pathogens that are contained in the sewage released into the Chicago River every day.

PC#1019

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Please begin work immediately to implement the changes needed to begin disinfection of the water destined for the Chicago River.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Mr. Don Dubin  
7357 N Kolmar Ave  
Lincolnwood, IL 60712-1702

**From:** Joy Schochet <joysch@moose-mail.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/18/2011 12:59 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 18, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Therriault,

I was shocked to learn that minimally-treated sewage is dumped into The Chicago River, both a recreational source for people and a habitat for many species of wildlife. That we, as a city, are so cavalier about health and the well-being of our environment that we have allowed this to happen is a sad commentary on our society. We absolutely need stronger regulations about the release of toxic and bacteria-laden effluents into our waterways. I was pleased to note that the federa; EPA agrees with this assessment and has notified the Illinois EPA that they must act to improve the polluted nature of the Chicago River.

Please do your best to implement the changes needed to improve the quality of our urban waterways.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Dr. Joy Schochet  
828 W George St  
Chicago, IL 60657-5114

*PC# 1020*

**From:** Tyrone Threatt <tythreatt@gmail.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/18/2011 2:29 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 18, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Therriault,

I personally love boating, fishing and enjoying other water activities so much so, I chose to live on the Calumet River. Frequently we see all kinds of waste and debris that is hazardous to anyone, particularly children floating in the river. Sometimes during the summer months the stench is very disappointing and embarrassing. I urge the "powers-to-be" to accelerate this cleanup for the benefit of all -particularly those of us that live on these rivers and have to tolerate the unpleasantness.

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Please begin work immediately to implement the changes needed to begin disinfection of the water destined for the Chicago River.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,  
Tyrone Threatt  
611 w 129th Place  
Chicago, IL 60628

Sincerely,

PC# 1021

**From:** Richard Glogowski <rjglogowski@mac.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/18/2011 8:30 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 18, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Therriault,

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Please begin work immediately to implement the changes needed to begin disinfection of the water destined for the Chicago River.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,  
Richard Glogowski  
8545 W Arnold #3NE

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Mr. Richard Glogowski  
8545 Arnold Ave  
River Grove, IL 60171-1484

PC #1022

**From:** Ann Dillemath <adillemath@gmail.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/18/2011 9:00 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 18, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Therriault,

Please work to make sure that disinfection of the water destined for the Chicago River begins immediately.

More than 70 percent of the water in the river is from MWRD plants, and while it receives basic treatment, pathogens remain from human sewage that can harm the thousands of people who use the river.

The Chicago River has become a true community resource with all kinds of wildlife, new riverfront parks, residential communities, restaurants, and businesses that are dependent on a healthy river. I think Chicago's water resources are one of the most important features of the city, and they should be treated as such.

The U.S. EPA has recently notified Illinois EPA that they must enact stricter regulations that protect the public from the polluted water of the Chicago River, and I request that you proactively take steps to tackle the issue of disinfection to protect the citizens of Chicago.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ann Dillemath  
4841 N Ashland Ave Apt 1f  
Chicago, IL 60640-3429

*PC# 1023*

**From:** Nick Bridge <nwbridge@sbcglobal.net>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/18/2011 12:30 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 18, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Therriault,

As Chicago area resident, I am writing in support of your recent vote to kill the pathogens that are contained in the sewage released into the Chicago River every day.

Directly connected to the toilets of Cook County, more than 70 percent of the water in the river is from MWRD plants, and while it receives basic treatment, pathogens remain from human sewage that can harm the thousands of people who use the river. These microorganisms are of particular concern for some special populations, like kids, who have a higher risk of contracting a waterborne illness and have no way of knowing what is in the water. Due to this pollution concern, American Rivers has named the Chicago River one of America's Most Endangered Rivers<sup>TM</sup> of 2011.

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Please begin work immediately to implement the changes needed to begin disinfection of the water destined for the Chicago River.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Nick Bridge  
1123 N. Kenilworth Ave.  
Oak Park, IL 60302

Sincerely,

Mr. Nick Bridge  
1123 N Kenilworth Ave  
Oak Park, IL 60302-1215

*PC# 1024*

**From:** George Davis <kenwoodgwd@yahoo.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/18/2011 3:30 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 18, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Therriault,

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Please begin work immediately to implement the changes needed to begin disinfection of the water destined for the Chicago River.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Mr. George Davis  
1025 E 50th St  
Chicago, IL 60615-2801

*PC#1025*

**From:** Robert Chambers <mrchambe@gmail.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/18/2011 4:31 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 18, 2011

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

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Please begin work immediately to implement the changes needed to begin disinfection of the water destined for the Chicago River.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Mr. Robert Chambers  
835 N Harvey Ave  
Oak Park, IL 60302-1448

PC# 1026

**From:** waldemar gorzen <13eng@sbcglobal.net>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/18/2011 6:31 PM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 18, 2011

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

PC# 1027

Dear Mr. Therriault,

As a supporter of American Rivers, I am writing to ask you to kill the pathogens that are contained in the sewage released into the Chicago River every day.

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Please begin work immediately to implement the changes needed to begin disinfection of the water destined for the Chicago River.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Mr. waldemar gorzen  
5530 W Pensacola Ave  
Chicago, IL 60641-1334

**From:** "A. Glapa" <anng2601@yahoo.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@pcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/19/2011 7:32 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 19, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Therriault,

TO: TERRENCE O'BRIEN

Hi Terry,  
Frank and I both support cleaning up our rivers. As long time neighbors in West Ridge you know we are always trying to make our neighborhood better and of course the North Shore Canal is near us. As volunteers we have worked to clean up the debris along Kedzie by the water's edge and urge you to help clean the pathogens.

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Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,  
Ann Glapa  
2601 W Farwell  
Chicago, IL 60645

Sincerely,

PC#1028

**From:** Holly McDonald <hollykio@aol.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/20/2011 9:34 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 20, 2011

Mr. John Therriault  
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Chicago, IL 60601

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Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Ms. Holly McDonald  
4047 N Hamlin Ave  
Chicago, IL 60618-2105

PC# 1029

**From:** Ben Schubert <ben\_schubert@msn.com>  
**To:** <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>  
**Date:** 6/20/2011 11:04 AM  
**Subject:** Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 20, 2011

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

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Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Mr. Ben Schubert  
2s546 Center Ave  
Warrenville, IL 60555-2302

*PC#1030*