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Dear Mr Brown and the IPCB,

PLEASE do the right thing by Waukegan and the whole region with our precious Lake Michigan water and remove the polluted dirt in the NRG coal ash ponds. Please do not allow ANYONE to quibble and look for loopholes to this massive problem that will cost many times as much later in both clean up and medical bills - to my grandchildren (now ages 7&9) and someday THEIR grandchildren!

We've lived in south-downtown Waukegan since 1980, near Market Street and the Diamond Scrapyard, the wiremill and other environmental fiascos. I was at the whole public comment hearing last week, and won't repeat the long list of on-spot points the speakers made, but know we agree with them whole-heartedly.

Current Waukeganites did not approve & build those lakefront factories 100+ years ago - long before there existed any codes or environmental standards. The old laissez faire status quo has been mostly cleaned up in other areas, but this massive "infection" will affect the drinking water for over 30 million people in this region (and ultimately the planet), and MUST be stopped NOW!

There is surely a lot to be done with other Waukegan lakefront sites as well, and the final solutions may involve state and federal EPA's, but ALL answers MUST be long-sighted and thorough! Do NOT be "penny-wise and dollar foolish" allowing shortcuts such as cap in place! Get more players such as EPA's to the table NOW to put their resources together and do this right! PLEASE!

most sincerely yours, Alice & Frank Alviani 425 Mc Alister Ave Waukegan IL 60085-6450