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Don

As you are aware the Southern Illinois Power Cooperative (SIPC) owns the Marion coal plant located on the Lake of Egypt in Williamson County. SIPC wants the Illinois Pollution Control Board (Board) to exempt eight of its coal ash ponds from Illinois' coal ash rules. The SIPC coal ash ponds should be subject to Illinois' coal ash rules. The ponds contain significant amounts of toxic coal ash, they have not been properly closed, and the company's own monitoring shows they are actively contaminating groundwater. These ponds contain significant amounts of toxic coal ash and the company's own monitoring shows they are actively contaminating groundwater.

As a member of a local coop, I am very concerned about SIPC not following the coal ash rules.

Thanks.

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