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Coal Ash rules should apply to the eight toxic coal ash ponds at the SIPC Marion Coal Plant on Lake of Egypt. These eight coal ash ponds contains significant amounts of coal ash and still have not been cleaned up despite Illinois's coal ash rules to ensure clean and safe cleanup operations of coal ash at such of these coal-fired power plants. SIPC's own testing shows ongoing groundwater contamination including the contaminated of arsenic, boron, lead, cadmium , and additional toxins. The Illinois EPA has twice advised against granting this exemption. Contaminated groundwater is a contributing factor to one's health. Numerous acute and chronic health conditions can be a result to our groundwater being contaminated with these deadly toxins. Additionally, these toxins create natural disruptions in our wildlife environments. Clean groundwater is beyond critical to have for healthy ecosystems including both the human race and animal life. Especially, for our rural area which is the primary source of water. I urge to to apply these rules for the safety of all natural life.

Thank you for your time and consideration,  
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