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Illinois Pollution Control Board, Clerk's Office, Case 2006-184
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Subject: Peoria Disposal Company's Appeal of Peoria County's Permit
Denial

PC#150

It is my understanding that Peoria Disposal Co. has appealed to overturn the Peoria County Board's decision to deny expansion of its' hazardous toxic waste landfill. I strongly agree with the County Board's decision.

The late Bill Rutherford, one of our city's most respected leaders and friend to our environment, stated "It is amazing that, in this era of space technology, we are building a mountain here of a couple million tons of a huge assortment of terribly toxic chemicals in the belief that a plastic liner will forever prevent them from leaking into the aquifer, from which over half of the Peoria area's tap water is pumped. PDC's toxic waste landfill sits right over that precious groundwater supply. Plastic breaks and cracks with age and stress, and chemicals can eat into and through it."

Locally, we are faced with enough health problems without inviting new health risks so that a private company can increase its earnings through expansion. I believe the Peoria County Board has spoken on behalf of all Peoria residents and believe that the vast majority of us believe that the appeal should be turned down.

Sincerely,


Jack Rhodes