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## Dear Illinois Pollution Control Board:

I am writing asking you to deny Peoria Disposal Company's request to delist electric arc furnace dust (AS 2008-010). Their action is a back door attempt to expansion of the landfill, an expansion denied both by the Peoria County Board and the IPCB. The safety of PDC's proposal has no verifiable assurances either to the impact on the existing landfill or the processes PDC intends to enact. The proposed processes have not even been verified by independent labs. Their proposal shifts risk from one portion of central Illinois to another. Please listen to and work with the citizens of Central Illinois to begin the process of closing this landfill and eliminate further risk to the health and safety of the local community.

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