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IN SUPPORT OF MIDWEST GENERATION'S REQUESTED VARIANCE

DOCKET NUMBER PCB 13-24

January 2013

Mr. John Therriault, Assistant Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board 100 W. Randolph St., Suite 11-500 Chicago, IL 60601-3218

Re: Support for Requested Variance, Docket No. PCB 13-24

Dear Mr. Therriault:

I respectfully request that the Illinois Pollution Control Board approve Midwest Generation's request for temporary relief from comprehensive state regulations that have ensured ongoing reductions in air emissions from the company's plants from 2008 to 2019.

Midwest Generation is merely asking permission to reduce, not eliminate, spending on environmental improvements during two years in the middle of a 12-year emissions reduction program. The company has been meeting all of its environmental commitments under state regulations, and even with the variance, would meet all requirements by the time the state program ends in 2019.

I also would ask that the IPCB consider that it granted Ameren relief just a few months ago that went beyond what Midwest Generation is requesting.

Midwest Generation employs 845 men and women, 64 percent of them union members. It provides jobs for hundreds of additional workers, most of them members of the building and construction trades. It spends close to \$400 million on goods and services from Illinois companies and to support various Illinois organizations, and nearly \$5 million on local property taxes. And it provides energy to homes and businesses throughout our state. It is deserving of your support for the requested variance.

Thank you for considering my letter.

NAME

ADDRESS

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Mary Mathews <timmary747

@aol.com>

Sent:

Friday, February 08, 2013 5:24 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

Feb 8, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board

Dear Control Board,

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
Pollution Control Board

I object to Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance, Docket No. PCB 2013-024.

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The Illinois Pollution Control Board has an obligation to protect the health of Illinois residents and should uphold the agreement that was made in 2007 to reduce harmful pollution from Illinois' aging coal plants. This is critical for my health and our environment and I respectfully ask that you deny Midwest Generation's variance request.

Sincerely,

Mary Mathews 1111 S Waukegan Rd Lake Forest, IL 60045-7300 (847) 295-1494

From: Environmental Law and Policy Center <elpcinfo@elpc.org> on behalf of Joe P Dick

<s.stars@comcast.net>

Sent: Friday, February 08, 2013 4:37 PM

To: Therriault, John

Subject: Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

Feb 8, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board Members

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Sincerely,

Mr. Joe P Dick 419 Western Ave Wheaton, IL 60187-4070

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of d mac <tesecodan@aol.com>

Sent:

Friday, February 08, 2013 5:24 PM

To:

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Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

P.C#5634

Feb 8, 2013

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Sincerely,

d mac 422 oakwood barrington, IL 60010

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of James Angel <angel12005

@comcast.net>

Sent:

Friday, February 08, 2013 7:58 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

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P. CVES 1.78

Feb 8, 2013

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Sincerely,

James Angel 28775 Pilgrims Pass Lakemoor, IL 60051-8686

From:

Environmental Law and Policy Center <elpcinfo@elpc.org> on behalf of ronald adami

<radami2@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Friday, February 08, 2013 8:38 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

PC# 5676

Feb 8, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board Members

Dear Control Board Members,

Please reject Midwest Generation's request for a variance of the historic clean air standards Illinois adopted in 2006 (docket no. PCB 2013-024). Hold the company to its previous commitment, which is vital to protecting public health and the environment.

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Sincerely,

Mr. ronald adami 943 Western Ave Flossmoor, IL 60422-1365

From:

Environmental Law and Policy Center <elpcinfo@elpc.org> on behalf of Ripal Patel

<ripdaddy@prodigy.net>

Sent:

Friday, February 08, 2013 11:38 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

Feb 8, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board Members

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Sincerely,

Ms. Ripal Patel 1030 Michigan St Wheaton, IL 60187-5706 (630) 462-4638

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Kirk Brandys

<kirk.brandys@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, February 09, 2013 6:29 AM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

PCX5678

Feb 9, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board

Dear Control Board,

I object to Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance, Docket No. PCB 2013-024.

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Sincerely,

Kirk Brandys 179 Knobb Hill Ln Gurnee, IL 60031-4427

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Phillip Licata

<pmlicata@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, February 09, 2013 7:29 AM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

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Feb 9, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board

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Sincerely,

Phillip Licata 406 E Sunnyside Ave Libertyville, IL 60048-2937 (847) 404-0937 PC# 5179

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Lolita Habito

<lolitahabito@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, February 09, 2013 11:30 AM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

PC#5680

Feb 9, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board

Dear Control Board,

I object to Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance, Docket No. PCB 2013-024.

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Sincerely,

Lolita Habito 2611 W Atlantic Ave Waukegan, IL 60085-1584

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Peter Kalembasa

<kalempet@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, February 09, 2013 3:22 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

Oct 5681

Feb 9, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board

Dear Control Board,

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Sincerely,

Peter Kalembasa 1285 Deerfield Rd Deerfield, IL 60015-4170 (224) 235-5854

From:

Environmental Law and Policy Center <elpcinfo@elpc.org> on behalf of David Dankert

<dankert@comcast.net>

Sent:

Saturday, February 09, 2013 4:10 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

PC# 5682

Feb 9, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board Members

Dear Control Board Members,

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Sincerely,

Mr. David Dankert 1145 Sherman Ave Evanston, IL 60202-1335

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Marie Lemke

<marie.alexandra.lemke@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, February 09, 2013 5:24 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

PC# 5683

Feb 9, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board

Dear Control Board,

I object to Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance, Docket No. PCB 2013-024.

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Sincerely,

Marie Lemke 46 Equestrian Way Hawthorn Woods, IL 60047-7363

From:

Environmental Law and Policy Center <elpcinfo@elpc.org> on behalf of DIPTI

SILVERMAN < kauaifans@gmail.com>

Sent:

Saturday, February 09, 2013 6:40 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

PC#5684

Feb 9, 2013

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Sincerely,

Ms. DIPTI SILVERMAN 3705 N Damen Ave # 1 Chicago, IL 60618-4911

From:

Environmental Law and Policy Center <elpcinfo@elpc.org> on behalf of Mark Burger

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Sent:

Saturday, February 09, 2013 10:10 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

PC# 51.85

Feb 9, 2013

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Sincerely,

Mr. Mark Burger 1042 Gunderson Ave Oak Park, IL 60304-2118 (708) 267-7965

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Elizabeth Walters

<beth_walters7@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, February 10, 2013 10:05 AM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

Pc#5686

Feb 10, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Walters 1281 Oak Spring Rd Libertyville, IL 60048-1689 (847) 362-6548

From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Patricia Haupt

<thehaupts@comcast.net>

Sent: Sunday, February 10, 2013 11:04 AM

To: Therriault, John

Subject: Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

PC#5181

Feb 10, 2013

Illinois Pollution Control Board

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Sincerely,

Patricia Haupt 1310 Longmeadow Ln Lake Forest, IL 60045-1571 (847) 234-4467

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Debby Guzzardo

<debby_guzzardo@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Sunday, February 10, 2013 7:03 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

PC#51.88

Feb 10, 2013

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Sincerely,

Debby Guzzardo 7 E Washington Ave Apt 2 Lake Bluff, IL 60044-2188 (847) 735-9279

From:

Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of John Mantione <jpman63

@comcast.net>

Sent:

Sunday, February 10, 2013 11:03 PM

To:

Therriault, John

Subject:

Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

pc# 5189

Feb 10, 2013

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John Mantione 2224 Hanlon Rd Libertyville, IL 60048-1123

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ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD CLERK'S OFFICE DOCKET NUMBER PCB 13-24

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January 17, 2013

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Mr. John Therriault, Assistant Clerk Illinois Pollution Control Board 100 W. Randolph St., Suite 11-500 Chicago, IL 60601-3218 PC#5690

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Thank you for considering and registering my comment.

NAME

Dan Monshau / Courtney Horne

HOME ADDRESS

BOX Manor Ct.

Juliet, IL 10436

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2921 E 14th Rd

Ottawa, IL

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