#### BEFORE THE ILLINOIS POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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AND THE LOWER DES PLAINES RIVER:	) (Rulemaking- Water)
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO 35 Ill. Adm.	)
Code Parts 301, 302, 303 and 304	)

#### **NOTICE OF FILING**

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on April 19, 2013, I electronically filed with the Clerk of the Pollution Control Board of the State of Illinois, Environmental Law and Policy Center, Friends of the Chicago River, Natural Resources Defense Council, Openlands, Prairie Rivers Network and Sierra Club's Opposition of Certain Environmental Organizations to the Illinois Environmental Regulatory Group's Motion for Clarification Regarding the First Notice Opinion and Order, a copy of which is attached hereto and herewith served upon you.

Respectfully Submitted,

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DATED: April 19, 2013

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# OPPOSITION OF CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS TO THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY GROUP'S MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION REGARDING THE FIRST NOTICE OPINION AND ORDER FOR SUBDOCKET C

The Environmental Law and Policy Center, Friends of the Chicago River, Natural Resources Defense Council, Openlands, Prairie Rivers Network and Sierra Club ask that the motion of the Illinois Environmental Regulatory Group for clarification regarding the Subdocket C opinion and order of the Board of February 21, 2013 be denied. The Board's Order is not unclear and no purpose would be served through further clarification other than delay.

In its order, the Board made clear that, as none of the 40 CFR 131.10(g) factors applied, the Upper Dresden Pool should be designated as general use, "General Use" apparently being the designation the Board finds appropriate for waters capable of meeting Clean Water Act goals. (Order and Opinion p. 221) The Board also made clear that the particular criteria to be applied to the Upper Dresden Pool would be addressed further in Subdocket D. (Order and Opinion p. 223). If there is a particular need for clarification here, it is not apparent to us.

If there is a need for clarification, it can easily be secured by commenting on the First

Notice decision and allowing the Board to decide what it needs to change. Putting the Board to
the trouble of issuing a separate decision just to clarify is a totally unnecessary step.

Additionally, corrections regarding issues relating to the criteria to be applied in the Upper

Dresden Pool can be addressed in Subdocket D.

Respectfully submitted,

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I, Albert Ettinger, hereby certify that I have served the attached **OPPOSITION OF CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS TO THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY GROUP'S MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION REGARDING THE FIRST NOTICE OPINION AND ORDER FOR SUBDOCKET C**upon the attached service list via document in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, in Chicago, Illinois on April 19, 2013.

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