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Pollution Control Board

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To:

The Illinois Pollution Control Board

Dear Board Members:

The American Bottom Conservancy, ABC, is a local environmental organization. It works to protect, from environmental harm, the people, air, soil, water, and natural ecosystems of the American Bottom floodplain. This area of Illinois extends along the Mississippi River roughly from Alton to Chester. In protecting this area, ABC must also defend against any environmental threats to surrounding areas or to the world environment as a whole that may eventually impact the American Bottom.

There are proposals to the Illinois Pollution Control Board to change current air pollution regulations, the Multi Pollutant Standard (MPS), for coal burning power plants. This would benefit energy companies such as Dynegy and Vistra Energy. It would also add to the pollution being emitted in the state of Illinois, threatening the people and the environment. The American Bottom Conservancy opposes any such changes to existing regulations.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Feldworth American Bottom Conservancy