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Subject: [External] Protect Illinois' air: R2018-20, Amendments to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 225.233
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Dear IL Pollution Control Board Assistant Clerk,

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Dynege's proposal to amend the Multi Pollutant Standard (MPS) is unnessecary and would give Dynege the option to increase air pollution (NOx and SO2) at certain individual Dynege plants. The proposal includes Baldwin, Coffeen, Duck Creek, Edwards, Havana, Hennepin, Joppa, and Newton coal fired power plants. Any increase in pollution would place an undue public health burden on the communities surrounding the plants and the people who live there.

I strongly object to this increase in pollution, as I used to react to breathing outdoor air in less than five minutes before the current regulations were put into effect. My lung passageway linings and throat lining would swell, making breathing difficult. If I lived near one of these plants, I have little doubt that I would die quickly. I am sure there are other people who DO live near these plants who react in a similar fashion to the sulfuric and nitric acids produced in humid air by SO2 and NOx polluting gases. Acid is not good for lungs! Breathing is not an optional activity--it is essential to remaining alive! Doubling these pollutants will murder people like me--and Dynege officials and Illinois regulators, including the Governor, should be charged with murder in each case. You have no right to kill people so that an out-of-state company can increase their profits!!!! I think you would object to someone shutting you into a room and pumping in acid fumes, forcing you to breathe those fumes. That is exactly what you and Dynege propose to do to everyone living near one of these coal-burning plants for which you want to double the allowed acid-fume-forming pollution gases. Shame on you! And, especially shame on the Illinois EPA, whose job it is to protect Illinois residents from exactly this type of murderous actions by industry!

A high number of Dynege's plants are located in Environmental Justice communities so a potential increase in NOx and SO2 pollution from individual Dynege plants presents Environmental Justice concerns. Both pose serious health risks, especially for vulnerable community members like infants and small children, the elderly, and asthmatics.

For these reasons, the Illinois Pollution Control Board should reject the regulatory changes that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Dynege are proposing.

Sincerely,

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