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Illinois Pollution Control Board
100 W. Randolph St.
Suite 11-500
Chicago, IL 60601

Jan. 4, 2008

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is a copy of the "revised permit" issued by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's permit section manager, Stephen F. Nightingale, to Peoria Disposal Co., dated Nov. 27, 2007.

It is submitted to the IPCB to accompany the appeal of terms and conditions of that permit by this writer, Tom L. Edwards, with the appeal conveyed in two parts by mail postmarked Dec. 31, 2007, and Jan. 1, 2008.

Though we asked for a time extension, too, if that is not permitted we wish to proceed with the enclosed appeal.

Thank you,



Tom L. Edwards/River Rescue
902 W. Moss Ave.
Peoria, IL 61606

P.S. Enclosed, too, is correction of a typographical error in our Jan. 1, '08 letter to IPCB. The date in the 4th paragraph should be "January 1, 2007" rather than January 7. The correction, plus a new replacement page is included.

corrected page - see below. Replacement page attached.

To: Illinois Pollution Control Board
From: Tom L. Edwards
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Peoria, IL 61606

January 1, 2008

(3 pages)

Re: Addition to my Dec.31 request for time extension to appeal IEPA permit to PDC

Who I am:

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99% of the public knew nothing of the landfill's existence until I wrote an expository petition (Jan., '04) and passed it out in the community to launch this campaign. Petitions with 7,100 signatures were mailed back, some kind of a record. (Will send a copy.)

Moreover, **nobody** in the Peoria County administration or county board was even aware that there was a state permit governing operation of PDC's landfill until this writer got one from the state and presented it to the board 4 years ago (January, 2004).

Re: IEPA's Revised Permit to Peoria Disposal Co.

correction: "January 1, 2007"

Note: IEPA's cover letter sent out with its permit decision mistakenly states that the final date for the public to submit appeals "is January 7, 2007." **Also**, none of the forwarding letters or the decision are signed by the IEPA director, Doug Scott.

Missing from EPA's information is anything about the 1980 break at a PDC disposal cell through which toxic waste poured lava-like down a hillside and 3-feet deep over Rt. 8, and across a field down to Kickapoo Creek, said a witness. The road was closed. Federal HazMat agency came in space-age garb and earthmoving machinery to deal with it.

Grounds for Appeal:

-- All major limitations in the original permit are gone:

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That is quite impossible. In tonnage 2.63 million cubic yards of toxic waste, according to an expert, is equivalent to about 900,000 tons, given the loose, even fluffy nature of much or most toxic waste. The waste comes in trucks from up to 15 states.

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