

John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

From: Keth Luke <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 5:02 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
 Pollution Control Board

Greetings,

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PCH 851

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Sincerely,

Keth Luke
 New Port Richey, FL

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From: Natalie Van Leekwijck <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 5:12 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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PC#852

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Sincerely,

Natalie Van Leekwijck
Beaverton, OR

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From: chris beal <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 5:21 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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P ch883

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chris beal
louth, TX

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To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
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Sincerely,

Julie Unruh
Lawrence, KS

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From: Eddie Higginson <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 5:46 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Greetings,

Doc # 855

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Eddie Higginson
London, Canada

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From: "Sioux D." <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 5:46 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

De#856

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Sioux D.
Adelaide, Australia

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From: Concerned Citizen <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 5:51 PM
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Pct#857

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New City, NY

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From: Lilo Prinz <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 6:02 PM
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PC#858

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Lilo Prinz
Au/ZH, Switzerland

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From: dinda evans <dindamcp4@yahoo.com>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 6:08 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC#859

May 25, 2011

Mr. John Therriault
100 West Randolph St., Ste 11-500
Chicago, IL 60601

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Ms. dinda evans
PO Box 178695
San Diego, CA 92177-8695

From: Sybil Kohl <sybkohl@msn.com>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 6:08 PM
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Sincerely,

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Mrs. Sybil Kohl
18103 NE 159th Ave
Brush Prairie, WA 98606-8738

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From: olivier GOMES <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 6:31 PM
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PC#861

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Sincerely,

olivier GOMES
SAINT LEU LA FORET, France

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From: lori weber <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 6:56 PM
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lori weber
johnson city, TN

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From: kathleen wissenz <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 7:01 PM
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PC#863

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Sincerely,

kathleen wissenz
warminster, PA

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To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 7:25 PM
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To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 7:38 PM
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PC#865

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Sincerely,

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Mr. Richard Spotts
1125 W Emerald Dr
St George, UT 84770-6026

John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

From: Eileen Novak <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 7:50 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC#866

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Sincerely,

Eileen Novak
Omaha, NE

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John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

From: Mike Antone <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 7:55 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC#867

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Mike Antone
Sacaton, AZ

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John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

From: Carol Appel <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 8:05 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC#868

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Sincerely,

Carol Appel
Los Angeles, CA

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From: Connie Raper <ckraper@nc.rr.com>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 8:08 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC #869

May 25, 2011

Mr. John Therriault
100 West Randolph St., Ste 11-500
Chicago, IL 60601

Dear Mr. Therriault,

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Sincerely,

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Ms. Connie Raper
2614 Woodmont Dr
Durham, NC 27705-2760

From: Lynn Elliott <craper@nc.rr.com>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 8:08 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PCH#870

May 25, 2011

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John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

From: "Linda F. Alvarez" <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 8:51 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC#871

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From: Mary Hickey <maryhickey@earthlink.net>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 9:38 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC#872

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Mrs. Mary Hickey
208 W University St
Wooster, OH 44691-2865

From: Joseph Rozsahegyi <jvrinkokd@aol.com>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 10:38 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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Sincerely,

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Mr. Joseph Rozsahegyi
11012 Eagle Dr
Kokomo, IN 46901-9733

John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

From: Adriana T <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 11:20 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC#874

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Adriana T
Baltimore, MD

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John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

From: Jamie Horneman <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/25/2011 11:55 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC#875

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Jamie Horneman
chicago, IL

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John Therriault - Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

From: Kim O'Connor <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/26/2011 12:41 AM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

PC#876

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N. Saanich, Canada

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