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To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 5/31/2011 8:59 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

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**STATE OF ILLINOIS
Pollution Control Board**

May 31, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Therriault,

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As you know, the U.S. EPA has recently notified Illinois EPA that they must enact stricter regulations that protect the public from the polluted water of the Chicago River. I request that you proactively take steps to tackle the issue of disinfection to protect the citizens of Chicago.

The Clean Water Act requires that we continually improve our waterways to the greatest extent possible. The law clearly states that we need to keep trying until we get it right. The Illinois EPA, and now the U.S. EPA, have recognized that it is time to improve our water quality and establish new standards for how we treat the river. We support the national and state EPA, and call on you to take responsibility for cleaning up the sewage effluent in Chicago's water.

Please begin work immediately to implement the changes needed to begin disinfection of the water destined for the Chicago River.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

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Mrs. Jillana Laufer
3940 Laurel Canyon Blvd # 804
Studio City, CA 91604-3709

PC#965

From: Robert Baker <rbaker@earthlink.net>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 6/1/2011 6:00 AM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Jun 1, 2011

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

PC#966

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Mr. Robert Baker
821 Wilson St
Williamsport, PA 17701-5449

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From: Henry Alfred Goolsbee <mail@change.org>
To: <therriaj@ipcb.state.il.us>
Date: 6/1/2011 3:08 PM
Subject: Protect Chicago River from Dirty Sewage

Pct# 967

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Henry Alfred Goolsbee
Arcadia, TX

Note: this email was sent as part of a petition started on Change.org, viewable at www.change.org/petitions/4-stop-dumping-raw-sewage-into-the-chicago-river. To respond, email responses@change.org and include a link to this petition. 

From: J Teo <acidq@gmail.com>
To: <therriaj@pcb.state.il.us>
Date: 6/1/2011 4:31 PM
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Ms. J Teo
Mass Ave
Cambridge, MA 02139-1010

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