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From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Bob Konieczka <bobtrop@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2013 12:05 AM
To: Therriault, John
Subject: Please Reject Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance (Docket No. PCB 2013-024)

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Illinois Pollution Control Board

Dear Control Board,

I object to Midwest Generation's Petition for a Variance, Docket No. PCB 2013-024.

The Midwest Generation coal plants are some of the biggest emitters of sulfur dioxide in Illinois. Sulfur dioxide poses a serious threat to our health and our environment by contributing to asthma attacks, chronic pulmonary disease, and respiratory hospitalizations.

Granting these delays for Midwest Generation does not ensure the long-term stability of their workers' jobs and the company has provided no clear plan for how it will stay in compliance with the changes they have asked for. Like Ameren, they may well abandon operations in the near future.

The Illinois Pollution Control Board has an obligation to protect the health of Illinois residents and should uphold the agreement that was made in 2007 to reduce harmful pollution from Illinois' aging coal plants. This is critical for my health and our environment and I respectfully ask that you deny Midwest Generation's variance request.

Sincerely,

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