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**From:** Kels [mailto:kels619@yahoo.com]  
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**To:** Tipsord, Marie <Marie.Tipsord@illinois.gov>  
**Subject:** [External] Public Comment for R18-18 Regulatory Relief Mechanisms

Dear Ms. Tipsord:

Please place the attached public comment by Kelly J. Robbins, into the Record of R18-18, Regulatory Relief Mechanisms.

The Pollution Control Board should adopt regulations that make our waters as clean as possible as soon as possible. The Board should beware of adopting any rules that allow polluters to delay meeting standards that protect public health, our water and air, aquatic life, wildlife and our recreational activities.

I live in Farmersville, IL and enjoy horseback riding, fishing, boating, walking, hiking our woods and waterways, working out doors, swimming, tending to my animals, sitting around the campfire of an evening, or just relaxing on the porch. Illinois is threatening my quality of life and preventing me from doing the simple things many take for granted.

We could enjoy these more or be more able to participate in these recreational activities if our Illinois

waterways had less algae, floating debris, manure, odors and other types of pollution. I look forward to the day that more Illinois waters are truly suitable for fishing, swimming and use for drinking water supply.

Our village and surrounding rural residents are on wells. Once the aquifers, springs, and other waterway tributaries are contaminated, there is no way for us to get untainted or unpolluted water! We need to save this valuable resource now.

This year, I have worked with the Waterkeeper Alliance, the Social Responsibility Agriculture Project, the Humane Society and other environmental groups to assist us in protecting our water and our environment, since our government and the USA has not helped us. Additionally, we have a network of states (MO, NC, IA, NE, FL, AZ, ND, WI, TX, etc.) via social media to get the facts out and educate the public on the level of destruction these polluters have done to our world, especially the CAFOs, which are concentrated animal feeding operations. They are slowly killing our water, air and quality of life.

Please make sure that the final rules that come out of R18-18 cause our rivers, lakes and streams to be cleaned up as soon as possible and hold the polluters accountable.

Thank you for your consideration.

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