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Clerk of the Pollution Control Board
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Re: Rochelle Waste Disposal
L.L.C. Vs. City Council of
the City of Rochelle, IL.
Case # PCB 03-218

As residents of the Rochelle community we do not believe the landfill should be enlarged. It is too close to the City of Rochelle and the village of Creston and properties nearby. It is located in the corridor that is growing and will, at some time, extend from Chicago to the River and beyond.

We think it's unlikely that anyone would want to build a home or locate a business with a landfill in their backyard. We also feel that the liners used in landfills will not last forever. Everything man made has a life span. It may not affect this generation or the next, but sometime in the future a generation that had nothing to do with the location will have to cope with the problem. It's like sweeping your problems under the rug -- short time planning.

The people that are promoting this enlargement will probably be gone before problems develop. No one who owns property or pays taxes wants this expansion or the garbage created by Chicago and the surrounding areas. We face garbage trucks and gravel trucks every day going to and from Rochelle hauling garbage to Amboy, IL and gravel to the new Intermodal facility. We are not opposed to growth but growth to benefit many not a chosen few.

It is our hope that the Pollution Board will listen to the many people in this area who are against this expansion. Thank you for your consideration of this case.

Sincerely,

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