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Ms. Webb,

I am writing to express my shock and concern regarding PDC's attempt to gain a permit modification. I feel they are splitting hairs and trying to manipulate laws in order to gain this permit. The laws are in place to protect the people and if there were a grey area, it would make sense to err in favor of the health and welfare of the people of Peoria. Most importantly, please consider that granting this permit undermines every type of wellness activity currently being practiced in Peoria. I am asking that the Illinois Pollution Control Board please do the right thing and uphold the Illinois EPA's denial of PDC's request for a Class 3 permit modification (case PCB 2008-025). In its request, PDC claims to be a waste generator and, as such, exempt from local siting authority. This claim is definitely false. Common sense makes it clear that PDC does not generate waste. PDC trucks in waste from multiple states, treats it and landfills it—garbage in and garbage out. Nothing of value is produced and there are no customers. Brian Meginnes himself has stated that PDC is in the service business and does not generate the hazardous waste, only its customers do. It is obvious that PDC's claim is merely an attempt to circumvent the local siting process. The Peoria County Board has already voted to protect Peoria County's water supply and deny PDC's identical expansion request. You have already upheld the Peoria County Board's denial. Now please help preserve local control and safeguard our aquifer by shutting down PDC's backup plan for expansion.

Sincerely,



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