

June 1, 2015

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Illinois Pollution Control Board  
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Sincerely,

Christine Hodak  
4455 N. Mozart  
Chicago, IL 60625

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
Pollution Control Board

Friends  
of the  
Chicago  
River



PC#1434

May 29, 2015

**The health of the river's fish and wildlife is at risk!**

Some late-breaking developments threaten new water quality standards that are specifically aimed at protecting wildlife in the river. We have waited long enough for these protections.

**ACT NOW to protect fish and wildlife! Add your information to the following message and return it to us by 1:30 p.m. on Monday, June 1:**

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Sincerely,

Craig Coit  
Chicago, IL

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Sincerely,

Henrietta Saunders  
59 Park Drive  
Glenview IL 60025

PS This is a Pollution issue and an economic issue as well. The Chicago River is a critical and growing aspect of our tourism industry as, of course, is Lake Michigan.

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Mr. John Therriault  
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Sincerely,  
Spiro Getsios, PhD  
Chicago, IL



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1419 W. Catalpa Ave., 3N  
Chicago, IL 60640

May 29, 2015

*PC#1437*

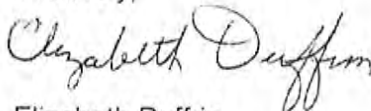
Mr. John Therriault  
Illinois Pollution Control Board  
Re: Public Comment for R08-9 (Subdocket D)

Dear Mr. Therriault:

I'm very concerned that polluters are putting attempting to undermine protections for aquatic life on the Chicago River. These protections should be as stringent for the Chicago River as they are for the rest of the state.

The Final Rule, which was based on the Illinois Pollution Control Board's careful consideration of evidence, is important for improving the health of the Chicago River and the wildlife in and around it. Polluters have already had an opportunity to weigh in on this decision and it's time now for them to uphold their civic responsibility to the rest of Chicago and work towards meeting the new standards.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Duffrin

Mr. John Therriault  
Illinois Pollution Control Board  
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Sincerely,

Cameron Robbins  
1519 N. Claremont Ave., #2  
Chicago, IL 60622

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Illinois Pollution Control Board  
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PG#1439

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Sincerely,  
Wayne Voegtle  
Chicago, IL 60630

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Sincerely,  
Matt Binns  
Chicago, Illinois

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Sincerely,  
Jocelyn P Deshur  
Chicago, IL

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Illinois Pollution Control Board  
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Sincerely,  
Lauren Pace  
Chicago, IL

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PCA# 1443

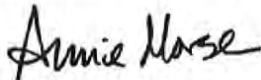
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Sincerely,



Annie Morse  
2023 W. Evergreen Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60622-1908  
amorse@artic.edu

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Sincerely,  
Karen Durham  
Chicago, IL

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Sincerely,  
Robert F. Kusel  
7654 Tripp Avenue  
Skokie, IL 60076

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Illinois Pollution Control Board  
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Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Benoit  
Chicago, Illinois 60611

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Sincerely,  
Mary DeBacker  
Chicago

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Sincerely,  
Rebecca Harrington  
Chicago, Illinois

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Sincerely,

Joseph Lentino  
Chicago, IL  
Science Teacher  
Burroughs Elementary School  
Chicago Rivers School Network

Mr. John Therriault

Illinois Pollution Control Board

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Mr. Therriault:

As an environmental educator, a Chicago-area citizen, and a longtime advocate of public access to and use of the Chicago River, I want rules that protect aquatic life on the Chicago River system just as stringent as for the rest of the state.

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The Final Rule should be implemented as soon as possible to protect the wildlife and water quality of the Chicago River system.

Sincerely,

Mike Bryson

Michael A. Bryson, PhD  
:: Professor of Humanities & Director of Sustainability Studies  
Roosevelt University  
:: Research Associate in Science & Education | Field Museum of Natural History

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Allowing polluters to continue to discharge warm/hot water into the River will suppress DO levels in the River and harm wildlife, especially the macro invertebrates at the bottom of the food chain. This has gone on far too long. It's time to stop this practice, now.

**I want the Final Rule to be implemented as soon as possible to protect the wildlife of the Chicago River system.**

"I've learned that no matter what happens, or how bad it seems today, life does go on, and it will be better tomorrow."

"I've learned that making a "living" is not the same thing as making a "life."

"I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back." Maya Angelou

Chris Parson  
422 Lake Av.  
Park Ridge, IL 60068  
(847) 825-4979  
(847) 309-4979 cell

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Sincerely,  
Amanda Smith  
Chicago, Illinois

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Sincerely,  
Tamara Dobrov  
Chicago, IL

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I spent time on the river just last night and said how the river is getting better but still has a long way to go. Please end the loophole that has been allowed to go on too long!

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Grau  
Park Ridge, IL

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Sincerely,  
Jeff Skrentny, and my children Anna Grace and Robert  
Chicago IL, 60618

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Sincerely,

Vanessa Caleb Herman  
2921 W. Leland Ave  
Chicago, Illinois 60625

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Christina George  
Chicago, IL

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