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Subject: Pet Coke Contamination- proposed regs

Hi, I wanted to register my comments as a Chicago citizen who has personally witnessed and photographed the petcoke dump sites in the far south of our city. The piles are located directly next to the river, and even in barges sitting in the river, and are located approx 500 feet from the nearest block of houses. My concern is that the proposed regulation lists very strict rules which, on paper, sound exceedingly complicated, but in reality would seem to cement the present situation. The rules unfortunately specify the small distances that currently exist (300 ft from houses, etc). What we really want is for this waste to be removed and properly stored in a facility. It needs to not be piled up by the river and the community. This is a toxic petrochemical substance, not merely a dirty mess. The ordinance needs to add conditions that the material be tested for safety and publicly disclosed as to what chemicals it comprises. It is causing continuous air pollution and the companies need to be forced to comply with Clean Air Act standards (moistening and covering the piles is not sufficient). This is not mentioned in your proposal either. Please add these two sections.

Thanks!

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