



**HAVANA CITIZENS:**  
**Ask Illinois EPA and Dynegy's Havana Power Plant for**  
**responsible coal ash disposal and closure of ash ponds**

Illinois EPA has tentatively decided to issue a permit to Dynegy's Havana Power Plant that would allow additional mercury and other pollutants from burning coal to be discharged into the Illinois River.

If you are concerned about water pollution, healthy fish, and threats to public health and safety,  
**please attend the PUBLIC HEARING!**

**Tuesday November 8, 2011 6 p.m.**  
**Occasions Banquet Facility, 301 West Main Street, Havana, Illinois**

Tell Illinois EPA and Dynegy:

- THANK YOU for new air pollution control equipment - we don't want to breathe dirty air!
- Now, take that pollution and dispose of it responsibly. NO COAL ASH TOXINS IN OUR RIVER!
- We use and enjoy the river where water from the coal ash ponds is being dumped. We eat the fish, we draw our income from the river, we recreate on the river. KEEP OUR RIVER CLEAN!
- INVEST YOUR EARNINGS IN POLLUTION CONTROL. Build a safe, lined landfill.
- We live downhill from the ash pond storing nearly 1 billion gallons of hazardous coal ash.  
WE ARE THREATENED BY THE COAL ASH POND - INSPECT IT, FIX IT, THEN CLOSE IT DOWN!

**Informational Meeting:** Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> 2011 3pm at residence of Phil & Maureen Marcy 1210 S Pear St.

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### Havana Power Station, Illinois

- Havana Power Station generates nearly 200 tons of coal ash per year. Much of this coal ash is stored behind a dam that creates the East Ash Pond System. This dam has been rated as “high hazard” by the National Inventory of Dams (NID).
- The East Ash Pond System at the Havana Power Station is a 90 acre impoundment.
- In an “inundation map” prepared by Dynegy for their Emergency Action Plan, experts indicate that if the dam were to fail, the floodwave of coal ash material would dissipate five miles down gradient. Unfortunately, there are homes located immediately down gradient and there is a school within two miles.

**Aerial overview of Havana Power Station’s ash ponds. Note houses to the north (downgradient) from the East Ash Pond.**



### Tennessee Valley Authority Kingston Power Station

- In December of 2008, another “high hazard” dam located at the Tennessee Valley Authority Kingston Power Station failed and released over one billion gallons of coal ash into the Emory River System, covering homes and farms in its path.
- The TVA spill was from an 84 acre impoundment.
- A review of state records shows that there was a minor blowout at the TVA site five years before that spurred officials to look for a way to ensure that the 98 acre mound of sludge would stay put. Essentially, the report found that the TVA definitely placed running a cost-effective operation far ahead of preventing environmental disaster. The most expensive fix would’ve cost \$25 million dollars. Now, the estimate for cleaning up the massive coal ash spill is **\$1.2 billion**.

**TVA Kingston Power Station prior to the December 2008 coal ash spill.**



**TVA Kingston Power Station after the December 2008 coal ash spill.**

