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RE: Sterigenics International Inc., Willowbrook, IL

Dear Mr. Berlin:

I am writing once again to express my increasing alarm with the continued operation of the Sterigenics International facility in Willowbrook. This request follows the February 5th EPA update of testing results of recent Ethylene Oxide emissions near and around the Willowbrook Sterigenics plant. While the complaint against Sterigenics wends its way through the legal process, Sterigenics continues to operate unabated. The most recent data reveal that emissions continue to pollute the air not only in Willowbrook, but in surrounding communities as well. This is a regional concern for communities impacted by the EO emissions, including the Village of Western Springs (as evidenced by the EPA's National Air Toxics Assessment Emissions map).

Therefore, I repeat my request of December 17, 2018, and urge the State of Illinois Attorney General and the DuPage State's Attorney file a Section 43 action of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act, which would result in a temporary restraining order and immediately suspend operations at the facility. This action is imperative until it can be proven that the air quality in our area is safe, and there is no risk to the public.

Your immediate action is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Alice Gallagher
President
Village of Western Springs

cc: Ms. Elizabeth Wallace, Chief, Environmental Bureau, Illinois Attorney General's Office
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