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Mr. Szenher:
My concerns about THIRD-PARTY CHANGES TO REGULATION 2, ARK. WATER QUALITY STANDARDS include:

To imply that since the Little River already has some dissolved solids and the Red River already has lots of dissolved solids and the Little River already is relatively warm, it is ok to add a lot more dissolved solids to those rivers and raise the temperature of both rivers is like saying, since our streets and highways are already littered considerably, it is ok to throw more cigarette butts and hamburger wrappers and soiled diapers out onto our streets. That trash may eventually rot or blow away (to where.) but it definitely is replenished faster than it goes.

One may think, so what, since toxic trash and higher temperatures in the Little and Red Rivers will go on down to the Mississippi and, then, to the Gulf of Mexico. Aquatic life in oceans is not only being overharvested and having habitate destroyed, but being poisoned by our toxic trash like mercury waste from burning coal.

The idea that so many occupants of Arkansas, the whole spectrum of people from poor to well off, from poorly educated to extremely well educated, that it is ok to trash this state is disgusting.

I am a 6th generation Arkansas-er and I guess my body and soul is made from some of this Arkansas dirt and water and air. I value this poor state.

(You know,It is really difficult to try to explain to an outsider why we trash our state.)

SWEPCO/AEP got permission to dump Turk's scrubber waste, coal leachate, coal ash leachate, and chemical waste into the Little River during the Turk permitting process. If this plant is so well designed, how is it that SWEPCO/AEP didn't expect this "cooling tower blowdown & previously monitored low volume waste."

For less than 200 permanent good-paying jobs, we keep letting SWEPCO/AEP add to their poisons.

(You'll never convince me that those toxic coal ashes will confined to those plastic and clay lined pits indefinitely.)

We have one earth. If one thinks our over- population, pollution, resource depletion problems will be solved by colonizing some distant planet, name one planet

that compares to this earth. Name one planet that is actually conceivable for any number of us to get to in the next few hundreds of years.

Teenage delinquents are much more disciplined than Arkansas power companies. Arkansas power companies get permission to keep doing things the same way, which is obviously dangerous.

Arkansas power companies must be expected to get into clean renewable energy in a big way. Fast.

They can make lots of money and create many jobs with solar PV and thermal facilities.

Are Arkansas power company executives, engineers, accountants and lawyers so simple they can't learn and change?

This is urgent. We have to demand they change.

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