

## Ruth Shaw

I write to express my extreme disappointment that the MPCA's Twin Cities Metro Area - Solid Waste Management Plan does not include closing of HERC in the very near term. It is crucial to eliminate the air polluting emissions from the HERC. HERC's emissions include lead, NOx, Sulfur Dioxide, PM2.5, and PM10, PFAS, Arsenic, Mercury and dioxins, which severely impair health. Those living near HERC incur the greatest exposure and health harms. All of us incur the harms to some degree. In the strongest possible terms, I urge that a date be set for closing HERC and that it should be within 2-3 years.