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As a farmer, I feel it's my responsibility to take care of the land that provides food for our country and a way of life for our community and my family. Any material being land applied should be properly classified and all contents of such material needs to be disclosed as well as the volume of each. Licensing procedures and classifications are in place for a reason and need to be followed by all, as well as proper application rates. I do my due diligence to ensure I'm feeding the crop to be grown with the proper products at a rate that benefits the crop without posing undue harm to our ground, water or environment. At the volume Denali is applying this waste to our ground without following a nutrient management plan or under proper licensing needs to stop.



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I am in Support of this House Bill, but am asking that the Committee to be very cautious before approval of this Bill. There needs to be much discussion, more information and research by Universities and Experts in the field. We MUST Protect our Natural and Environmental Resources to include Drinking Water and Run-Off Water with regular monitoring and testing requirements. We NEED to ensure that the spreading of Waste Sludge that we do NOT contaminate our Food Sources or Farming Activities. We NEED to ensure that the Nitrogen and Phosphorus measurements and mixture spreading are being done in the proper way. I agree with Water Sampling and Groundwater Monitoring in sensitive areas across the State.***Note to the Committee: I am calling for an Investigation into five (5) Water Board Members and Appointing two (2) of their friends with Conflict-Of-Interest by creating a "Shell-Company" to pay themselves \$25,000 a year (Yes \$25,000 a year-You have read it correctly), plus Trips and Benefits ripping-off Rate-Payers with 800-Customers and \$800,000 in Revenue of the East-Central Missouri Water & Sewer Authority, whereby ALL Assets are owned by Public Water District Two (2) of Saint Charles County. These are Crimes and Violations of Chapter 247 of the Revised State Statutes of Missouri bypassing ALL Regulations of both the Public Service Commission & the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. For more information please Contact Me at ArnieDienoff@Yahoo.Com



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I live just down the road where they had to close the road because of a spill. I am 76, have heart issues. I need to be able to go outside for walking. I can't even sit out side. I have had lung issues also, so it makes it extremely hard to even walk to my mailbox to get my mail. I have in the past gotten hay for my horses; but they won't even eat it since they have put this on their own fields.



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To Whom It May Concern:I am testifying to address the issues that have risen from the construction of the Denali Lagoon. I have a significant concern regarding my property that is located at 29837 Palm Road, just north of the Denali Lagoon that was built a year after my home was constructed.This project was never communicated to me or addressed with the surrounding neighbors. If I would have known the plans I would never have built my dream home on this property. The property, a 6200 sq ft home nestled next to a fully stocked pond valued at \$550,000, has been adversely affected due to the persistent, unlivable odor emanating from the Denali Lagoon throughout the year. We know longer fill safe eating the fish that have been stocked for 3 years in this pond. Originally planned as food storage is now unsafe for consumption due to run off from the surrounding fields owned by Denali contractor Jerry Evans.The odor from the Denali Lagoon has substantially diminished the livability and value of the property, rendering it unsuitable for habitation or normal use. The outside odor permeates the inside of the home as well as polluting my freshly dug well. Despite efforts to mitigate the odor, its pervasive nature has caused severe discomfort and inconvenience, affecting our quality of life and the market value of the property. Events that are planned outdoors, wedding receptions, family gatherings and church events have all needed to be moved indoors or canceled because of the odor coming from the Lagoon. This has caused financial losses and adverse distress.Thank you for considering helping the people of SWMO.Sincerely,Blair Powell



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I've had more sinus issues since smelling Evans sludge pond. Being outside makes me nauseous when wind is out of the south.



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I'm not going to repeat everything I said in the other statement because it is in support of the same bill one thing that I do want to say is DNR is not worth a s*** they told us up at Macon at a meeting that their Quality Air emblem on their cards they did not have anything to do with the Quality Air and now they are going to probably find Mobley Missouri because they got a little Lagoon down there that the smell is bad doing exact same thing as what we've asked them up there when they said they didn't have anything to do with the air quality they lied to us Heather Peters is no good that Lagoon and Moberly is probably only about an eighth of the size of the base and they have put in at Jacksonville so can you and I'm only imagine how bad the smell is going to be we need to definitely stop this for all state of Missouri and kick Denali out of here so they cannot be spreading stuff in Missouri especially from other states that using those as a Dumping Ground because they don't want it in their state thank you



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I reside on Middle Indian Creek approximately 3 miles north of Stella, Mo and 3 miles northwest of the Evans Lagoon. I have spent over 50 years on the Indian Creek Watershed. Since its operation I have dealt with the effects of this industrial sludge being spread in excessive amounts witnessing it being spread within 20 feet of the creek, leaking spreaders crossing the creek and traveling up and down roads leaking this sludge on the roadways. My cattle will not drink out of the creek anymore. The cattle will walk a 1/4 mile to drink out of a spring that is on my property and protected from sludge run off from neighboring property. I have noticed a sharp decline in crawfish and hellgramites along with native trout disappearing altogether. The stench from lagoon at times will make you nauseous. The increase in green blow flies is unfathomable. The unregulated spreading of this sludge needs to stop. Monthly testing of lagoons and random”at will “ testing of tanker trucks as well as application vehicles should be done by the EPA. As a individual with Mixed Connective Tissue Disease, a severe autoimmune disease I cannot imagine the health side effects that a 3 million gallon unlined lagoon is having on our ground water. Missouri Legislators have a responsibility to protect the natural resources and environment along with the health and welfare of their citizens and future generations.



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As a health care provider I support keeping our ground and water clean. This is critical for the health of the state.



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I no longer live in Wheaton, MO, however my dad does. As soon as I enter the area I'm immediately assaulted by the horrendous smell. Some days being outside is unbearable. I don't feel that these lagoons are safe. If allowed to continue our waterways and soil will become contaminated, and dangerous. This needs to stop yesterday!!



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I am a member of the Newton County Health Board for 15 years. There has been no oversight by DNR as to the pathogens spread in the waste products until they document a violation. Our streams are almost all impaired by E.coli. and all the work our soil conservation people do to lessen run off goes for naught if DNR allows millions of gallons of this waste to be spread on our fields without any oversight. DNR has the jurisdiction we do not. I have submitted a request to change the odor rule to DNR because they cannot now test for odor violations on fields being spread.



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We need to stop the pollution of our communities



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Hello! I just wanted to write to you in regards to the Denali land applying application and the storage lagoon. We live about 2 miles south of the Jerry Evans lagoon and it has made a huge impact on our lives since this went in, especially within the last year. The smell is horrendous, when this first started out they said they would spread it a couple times a year, now it is being spread daily somewhere around here and we smell it almost every day. We can't sit outside and enjoy our property days that it smells. My son plays outside for a few minutes and comes in and has to change his clothes because he stinks so bad. It's like the smell just absorbs in whatever it gets on. We can't leave our windows in our house, shop, or cars open. I have had to buy the most expensive filters for our ac unit cause it is coming in thru it, and that only helps a little, many days we have had to just shut our ac off. Not only is the smell a huge problem, but the flies out here are terrible. I spend \$200-\$300 a month on stuff to kill and catch flies, plus we pay an exterminator to come spray outside our home and shop every month. You know how nasty flies are to begin with, having them coated on your house so thick you can't see the siding is ridiculous. Our little highway used to just be a very quiet road, now it is like grand central station with the Denali trucks going by all hours of the day/night one right after the other. They are tearing up our roads and that is our tax money that has to pay to have them repaired. Since this has came in and being used more it is ruining our little community, people in the town complain of the smell, the kids at school don't want to go outside for recess because of the smell, it is affecting businesses in our area because people don't want to go eat or sit outside with the smell. We have ballgames at the school and other schools have had parents and kids get sick, throw up and have to leave or go sit in their car because of the smell. Some of the ballgames have even been moved to other locations because of the smell. Not only is the smell a huge problem, but what is in the sludge is very alarming, it's like we are being poisoned by our neighbors and no one will do anything about it. I really don't think people that don't live around here have any clue what we are dealing with or what we have dealt with for 3 years now. We have made many calls to DNR, the sheriff's office, or anyone that we feel will help, only to keep running into dead ends. Missouri is an agricultural state, not a dump for industrial waste. This stuff is waste, it is not fertilizer, it should be treated as waste, not dumped on our land. Please stand behind these bills and help us out!! Thanks!



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I live within 1/2 a mile of the Gideon Lagoon and am so frustrated by the fact I cannot go outside and enjoy beautiful days, hesitate to turn my air on, or open my windows on nice days due to the horrendous smell we have to endure. If people who build chicken houses have to have approval of neighbors if they have over a certain amount of birds, to build more chicken houses - why didn't we have to approve of this lagoon? The spreading of sludge on lands has not only deteriorated fields, but has also deteriorated state and county roads, as well as hindering the flow of traffic on these roads.



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It's time to completely stop sludge dumping in Missouri. There are two sludge tanks across the road about 100 yards from my house. They were pumping sludge into them when the order came to stop spreading. They have been no spreading since then. We are still smelling them. They should remove them to eliminate the risk of leaking. I cannot believe that our state lawmakers have let this continue to this point. Our neighboring states have stopped it. Why can't Missouri stop it?



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MPUA supports this addition on language to section 644.041 and 644.051 to increase the responsibilities of land appliers who previously did not have regulation to protect the environment and human health. This language addition will provide prudent requirements for the application of industrial wastewater, industrial wastewater treatment sludge and the other process wastes. These processes will ensure the required tracking of metals, nutrients, and pathogenic loads applied to the lands of Missouri.



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Please help us protect our land and water for years to come! I live in a somewhat rural community with small towns, farms, and livestock scattered in between. Letting companies like Denali dump all their waste here will not only impact the direct surrounding areas, but can also cause widespread harm. Contamination can easily spread ruining people's livelihood for those who farm. If they can still sell their crop, is it possible contamination could spread even further with bad crops sold? The smell is also terrible. It's not something you can close your windows and ignore. Don't you want to go outside and be able to breathe safely? It causes nausea and respiratory illnesses to even breathe in your home? And for anyone wanting to relocate after the pollution, good luck because property values will drop significantly. No one will want to live here when all you smell is poop. Please, go sit in a portapotty with the lid down all day and tell me that's okay!! We can't just ignore this problem, we need to take action now!



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I am in support of this legislation to stop the practice of dumping waste water in our communities across Missouri.



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Hello, my name is Korrie Bateman, I live here in Newton Co and my home is located approximately 2 miles south of the Evans basin, which stores waste for Denali. Since this basin has went in and they have been land applying the sludge all around our home, our lives have significantly changed for the worse. Although the odor is most people’s concern, which it is horrendous, our main concern is the harmful chemicals in the sludge and what it is doing to our ground and waterways. Especially when it is being over applied so heavily that it is just standing in the fields. I own my own dog grooming business and I have lost business from days that it smells so bad out, people don’t want their dogs leaving my shop smelling of that putrid odor. Where there is odor there are also flies, millions and millions of flies!!! We have spent so much money on fly control it is unreal, and we can’t get rid of them, somedays we can’t even control them. Back in Sept a neighbor of ours had sludge spread on her field here by our house, the odor was so strong we had to leave our home and go stay with family for 2 days. We couldn’t get away from the smell, even in our own home. It was coming in through our ac, anytime you opened a door, our entire home smelled horrible. It’s not just a smell though, the sludge has so much oil and chemicals in it, that it just sticks to your clothes, furniture, bedding, whatever it settles on. We have called the DNR multiple times reporting odors and we have even called the Newton Co Sheriff’s office and filed reports. We thought about just moving, but we know the value of our home has dropped and we will have trouble selling, then again, why should we be uprooted from our own home?? This sludge is not fertilizer, it is waste and that is how it should be treated. It shouldn’t be brought out here and dumped on our land, it should be disposed of properly. There are other ways to dispose of it that would be beneficial. I feel if the proper means of testing this waste was done, our state would see what a huge problem this is and ban it all together. We are not a dumpsite for these big corporations, we are an agricultural state, stop making us a dumpsite!!!



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Due to illness we are unable to attend this meeting but want to show our support in stopping this horrible dumping of this waste in our county! This basin can be seen from our front window about a quarter of a mile from our house. Besides the contamination of our ground water and soil I think what will hit first will be the horrible smell of decaying animal parts, flies and mosquitoes. I always thought the DNR was supposed to protect the citizens of this kind of contaminations so I don't understand how they can support this company dumping this stuff in our back yards. It will drop our land values, we won't be able to sell and move away. I just don't know how they can do this to the citizens of Randolph County! My husband and I have worked hard to make our land, land that once belonged to my grandfather, a place to retire and enjoy sitting outside and gardening. If this dumping is allowed that plan will be gone and we have no idea what we will do! Please do not allow this company to destroy our way of living! I pray the right desicions will be made. Thank you



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Thank you for the opportunity to testify to support clean water in our community. We the past years we have watched in disbelief as truck after truck hauling what we have understood to be "SLUDGE" down our country road near our family's farm to be dumped on areas of land not far from our farm. The first area they began dumping in being so over saturated with the sludge we could not believe anyone would allow this or that it was legal to do such a thing. The land didn't even look like normal pasture land anymore. We are greatly concerned as more areas of land around our family farm have started having some of the same trucks spreading what appears to be known as SLUDGE. We along with many neighbors are concerned about how this will impact our water wells if allowed to continue. We attended a meeting held in McDonald County in the past years and have watched and felt like DNR was not doing anything to protect its citizens in this regard. Please support the legislation to protect our wells and waterways!!



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This is a threat to people health who live less than a 1/4 of mile from this. It will affect the local streams and wildlife. It's down the road from a Veteran's Cemetery. The school isn't that far from this. It shouldn't be in the vicinity of homes, schools or a veterans cemetery, we don't need the contamination of this waste in our County.



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Today, I submit testimony in support HB2134 and implore you to consider a pressing threat to our state that not only endangers our ecosystems but also poses severe risks to human health. I am a supporter of agricultural practices and come from a farming family. However, the proposed distribution of what's termed "fertilizer" doesn't reveal the entire truth. This substance, praised for its beneficial phosphorus and nitrogen content, is actually a residue derived from industrial wastewater treatment—a concoction housing hazardous elements like mercury, extreme levels of ammonia, and an array of other harmful components, including known PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) and even pathogens such as a potentially avian flu. These substances, acknowledged as waste by their producers, are created by blending potent industrial chemicals with caustic materials to render undigested, organic matter inert. Disposal services then handle the removal of this perilous byproduct, with has shown little substantative concern for its adverse impacts. The grave issue at hand arises from the lack of consistency among treatment methods and chemical compositions used across various facilities. Each site follows a distinct process, resulting in a blend of diverse toxins and residues in holding basins, magnifying the risks associated with these facilities. This blend of materials not only threatens our environment and waterways but also poses an immediate threat to human health, contributing to a range of issues including liver damage, thyroid cancer, decreased fertility, and potential impacts on immune and reproductive systems on humans as well as wildlife. Consequently, we must establish stringent guidelines regarding the materials permissible for land application across our state to safeguard our environment and the health of our communities against out of state businesses seeking to capitalize on loopholes at the expense of the citizens of our great state. The long-term impacts of these practices are deeply concerning. Beyond the immediate threats to human health and the environment, the continued use and mismanagement of these industrial byproducts as "fertilizer" can lead to pervasive, irreversible harm. Water contamination, ecosystem disruptions, and the potential for chronic health issues in both humans and wildlife are ominous outcomes. We are still not 100% sure what is causing Chronic Wasting Disease, but we do know this material contains large amounts of known neurotoxins and there is nothing to prevent wildlife from coming into contact with it as it pools into fields. Furthermore, the lasting legacy of these practices could result in degraded soil quality, compromised agricultural productivity, and a compromised local ecosystem that may take generations to recover, if recovery is even possible. Addressing these issues today with sensible guard rails is crucial to safeguarding the well-being and sustainability of our communities for years to come. Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.



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I recently stated I was in support of, but after reading this, I am strongly against. Just wanted this noted.



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We need to live in a safe environment. This waste was applied to land within yards of our home a few years ago. The smell was awful, but what really worried me as I understand it, these trucks were not tested as to their contents. so who knows what may already be in the moisture runoff from these fields. Not only am I worried about what is in the waste, but the truck traffic was very dangerous. Our roads are not built for this fast, high volume traffic at speeds that are unsafe. This company has shown over and over they cannot follow the rules. In the name of money will our county become the dumping ground for other counties and states?We are lifelong residents of Randolph County and lifelong farmers. We farm land that was homesteaded by my ancestors, and we have young grandchildren who live in the same area. We need to be able to live and farm safely for future generations. Farmers are given the responsibility of feeding the world and we need to be able to do it in a safe environment. I'm sorry I could not be there to testify personally, as my husband is fighting Glioblastoma and not able to attend. Thank you



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Hi my name is Donald McDonald I am in support of Ed Lewis clean water law we need to stop Denali some feeling the basin at Jacksonville Missouri I live one quarter of a mile straight east of this basin not only is the smell going to be terrible but the sludge is no good for the land I've been around the farming all my life I've cleaned out hog barns for Neighbors this smell is much worse than hog nerves smell been in confinement buildings and this is worse than confinement buildings we need to stop Denali from spreading this sludge on our land and I don't think DNR is with a damn they told us at a meeting up and making their emblem on all their stuff about clean air is not their responsibility but now they are citing Moberly Missouri for not containing the smell of a lagoon in Moberly they are talking out of both sides of their mouth that Lagoon is probably not even an eighth of the size of the base in there put in at Jacksonville so the smell is going to be a lot worse 24 hours a day 7 days a week 365 days a year Denali has lied for their application saying they had 900 Acres of ground to spread this on the owner did not give them permission to do so they have applied this sludge to the ground in the winter when the ground was frozen they applied it when it was raining all of this is against regulations DNR finds in a small amount and gives them a slap on the wrist and says don't do it again but they have violated and misrepresented everything about this we need to stop them bringing stuff in from other states using Missouri as their dump sites these other states don't want it in their area because they know how bad it is for the land and how bad it smells these are all bad Health situations this Basin in Jacksonville Missouri in Randolph County is in the Mark Twain Lake watershed Mark Twain Lake supplies drinking water for thousands and thousands of people let alone how many people swim in it and fish in it is it a hazard for recreation use this needs to stop we need our government to put a halt to all of this stuff that Denali is bringing in thank you



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I had lived in the cairo community for 60 years. The location of this basin is in the mark twain watershed. Any runoff or overflow will end up in mark twain lake. The steams and creeks along the way will also be contaminated. The tributaries are used by many farmers and landowners to water livestock, fish, swim, and support a nice population of many wildlife species. Mark twain lake is a core of engineer lake that was built completed in the 80s and is again used by so many for recreation purposes from fishing, boating and swimming. I believe it is even a drinking water source for some communities. And last but not least, the overflow of this beautiful lake drains into the Mississippi River which is used for so many and a very important clean water source. We cannot take this chance to contaminate our precious tributaries and water sources that are important to so many. Please do not allow this basin to ever be used or dumped in by Denali. Thank you.



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Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony for informational purposes on HB 1956 and HB 2134. My name is Jaelithe Virgin-Downey and I am Policy Coordinator for Missouri Coalition for the Environment. These bills are both aimed at addressing the concerns of many Missourians who are impacted by the activities of the company, Denali Water Solutions, LLC - which I refer to as "Denali." Since Fall of 2022, I, along with MCE's legal team, have investigated the operations of Denali and similar companies. This research spans multiple Sunshine requests to DNR, email communications with DNR, Sunshine documents from the Missouri Fertilizer Control Board, as well as speaking directly with impacted Missouri residents. I want to convey the results of this research to the committee, as the legislature has the opportunity to protect the vital natural resources that Missourians rely upon and ensure that businesses which operate in the state are held accountable. Denali accepts waste for transport, storage, and land application. DNR's data from July 2023 shows that Denali takes waste from dozens of companies which are primarily involved in various types of food production. The list of waste Denali accepts is long. It includes but is not limited to waste from the processing of food products, livestock feed products, poultry hatcheries, meat processing, pet food processing, the slaughter of animals, and fat, oils, or grease processing. We have also received records indicating that Denali has also accepted domestic wastewater from water treatment plants. Denali stores all these separate waste streams together in lagoons. We are talking millions of gallons of various wastes mixed together. The company has three lagoons in Newton, McDonald, and Macon Counties. A fourth has been built in Randolph County. As a last step, Denali land applies the waste from its lagoons onto farmland. The public outcry against Denali's operations is strong and for good reason. I have spoken personally with residents who regularly experience intense odors on their own properties as a result of Denali's presence. Denali has had multiple road spills as well as a lagoon overflow. They have also been issued several notices of violation as a result of improper land application which contaminated waters of the state. Most recently, Denali's irresponsible land application practices caused DNR to revoke its permittance of Denali to land apply without a permit. Many Missourians fear for their water quality- their surface waters yes, but also the groundwater they use for drinking water. It should be noted that many rural residents rely upon safe groundwater for the sake of their families and their livelihoods. While Denali is not the only company in Missouri to handle these types of waste, Denali is the most prevalent. Their actions - and the harms they have caused - demonstrate a need for Missouri's legislature to act swiftly to ensure accountability for existing harms and ensure activities that cause these harms do not occur in the future. MCE has identified several ways in which Denali has taken advantage of Missouri's regulations that the legislature can take action on in order to protect Missourians now and into the future. Our research has shown that for years, Denali has been exempted from DNR rules for 1) minimum design standards 2) construction permits, and 3) operating permits for

their lagoons and land application operations. I urge the committee to consider how to best address these issues and ensure that companies cannot take advantage of Missouri's laws and regulations.

The first regulatory issue with Denali is their exemption to DNR's minimum design standards for how they build their lagoons. The company received this exemption by avoiding being classified as an agrichemical facility by DNR. The current DNR definition of "agrichemical facility" only applies to facilities that operate for "for more than thirty (30) consecutive days per year." Denali reported to DNR that the company would operate their lagoon for less than 30 consecutive days at a time. This resulted in DNR not classifying it as an agrichemical facility- and therefore exempting Denali from applicable regulations. This loophole remains in DNR's definition of "Agrichemical Facility" and MCE recommends that any legislation intended to address the issues posed by Denali eliminate this hole in regulation.

Secondly, there is concern with Denali's ability to receive an exemption from lagoon construction permits. This is the case, for example, with Denali's Newton County facility. Email communications between MCE and DNR, as well as Sunshine Records, indicated that the company was not required to receive a construction permit for their lagoon because the waste they collect was considered to be "Industrial Food Residuals"- a substance deemed a "Fertilizer" licensed by the Fertilizer Control Board. As a result, DNR held that the material is not a "wastewater" subject to construction permit requirements. However, "Industrial Food Residuals" is not a term defined within DNR regulations and MCE's research has not identified a DNR rule which grants a construction permit exemption based upon material being categorized as a "Fertilizer" licensed with the Fertilizer Control Board. It is MCE's position that Denali's ability to skirt construction permit rules demonstrates that action must be taken to properly categorize this material with consistent regulatory language and ensure companies handling this waste are not able to avoid receiving a construction permit. Lastly, for years Denali has been able to receive an exemption from operating permits for their facilities using DNR regulation 10 CSR 20-6.015(3)(B)(8), which reads as follows: "Products containing or derived from sludges, biosolids or other process wastes when such products are licensed under the Missouri Fertilizer Law, sections 266.291 through 266.351, RSMo and regulations and the products do not exceed pollutant standards for protection of public health and the environment as established by the department. To receive this exemption, the manufacturer or distributor shall submit an initial report to the department on the pollutant content of the product and shall file periodic monitoring reports as determined necessary by the department." Sunshine Records show that once Denali received this exemption, DNR provided some instructions for how to apply the material in order to maintain the exemption, recommendations for how to properly land apply, and required a new testing report to be submitted after three years. Denali was therefore able to operate without being subject to the land application and facility management rules that an operating permit would have required by law. To provide an example of the missing oversight within this system- with this exemption in place, Denali only had to submit infrequent laboratory reports for individual waste streams, not testing of the mixed waste content of the lagoons where the waste was stored. This is significant because it is the material from the lagoons, a mix of the individual waste streams, that is land applied. With all of the information received and reviewed, we at MCE feel this exemption places Missouri's communities and natural resources at risk. And it's not only Denali- a number of other companies have been able to take advantage of this rule as well. As of this summer- companies taking advantage of this DNR exemption were unable to receive permits from the Fertilizer Control Board. Without one of the requirements to receive the exemption, these companies no longer qualified. This prompted DNR to exercise its enforcement discretion while permit applications were submitted. However, the exemption itself remains on the books, opening up the possibility of future use. It would benefit Missouri if the legislature enacted policies that ensure businesses seeking to store and land apply sludges, biosolids, and process waste are not exempt from the accountability provided by operating permits. To conclude my testimony, the current state of our regulations have created a situation where Denali and other companies are able to operate without vital accountability to protect human health and our natural resources. The loophole for minimum design standards at agrichemical facilities remains in regulation. The ability for a company to avoid a construction permit based on categorization as Industrial Food Residuals, a term that is undefined in our rules and regulations, remains an outstanding issue. Despite the shifts in the regulatory landscape on the issue of operating permit exemptions, the exemption that Denali and other companies have taken advantage of remains on the books. As a result, the Missouri Legislature has the opportunity to ensure that companies such as Denali cannot operate without appropriate oversight, land application rules, and waste testing- all of which are critical to protecting the health of our communities. Thank you all for your consideration and for the opportunity to present this information. I would be happy to answer any questions.



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Hello! I just wanted to write to you in regards to the Denali land applying application and the storage lagoon. We live about 2 miles south of the Jerry Evans lagoon and it has made a huge impact on our lives since this went in, especially within the last year. The smell is horrendous, when this first started out they said they would spread it a couple times a year, now it is being spread daily somewhere around here and we smell it almost every day. We can't sit outside and enjoy our property days that it smells. My son plays outside for a few minutes and comes in and has to change his clothes because he stinks so bad. It's like the smell just absorbs in whatever it gets on. We can't leave our windows in our house, shop, or cars open. I have had to buy the most expensive filters for our ac unit cause it is coming in thru it, and that only helps a little, many days we have had to just shut our ac off. Not only is the smell a huge problem, but the flies out here are terrible. I spend \$200-\$300 a month on stuff to kill and catch flies, plus we pay an exterminator to come spray outside our home and shop every month. You know how nasty flies are to begin with, having them coated on your house so thick you can't see the siding is ridiculous. Our little highway used to just be a very quiet road, now it is like grand central station with the Denali trucks going by all hours of the day/night one right after the other. They are tearing up our roads and that is our tax money that has to pay to have them repaired. Since this has came in and being used more it is ruining our little community, people in the town complain of the smell, the kids at school don't want to go outside for recess because of the smell, it is affecting businesses in our area because people don't want to go eat or sit outside with the smell. We have ballgames at the school and other schools have had parents and kids get sick, throw up and have to leave or go sit in their car because of the smell. Some of the ballgames have even been moved to other locations because of the smell. Not only is the smell a huge problem, but what is more alarming is what is in the sludge. It is harmful to our ground and waterways, this stuff is waste not fertilizer, it needs to be disposed of properly, not dumped on our land. Missouri is an agricultural state, not a dumpsite for these big industrial companies. Stop making our state a dumping ground for them and stop them from ruining our land.



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The SLUDGE that is being spread in our neighborhood is so stinky I almost PUKE when I walk outside. It is so strong I can NOT go outside to enjoy my yard and the wildlife near me. Some days it is so strong the smell seeps inside my home and I smell it all day! This can NOT be good for our ground or our water supply. My family raised chickens, laying hens, cattle and pigs for many years and the smell was NEVER this disgusting ?? Sometimes the smell can be smelled in the town of Wheaton 5 or 6 miles away from the Lagoon. I am sure our property value has decreased due to this SLUDGE. It needs stopped NOW



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My name is Karen McAllister, and I want to express my concerns about the current practices of sludge application and storage, especially with regard to the proposed waste basin and its contents in Jacksonville, MO. I am a farmer’s wife, a mother of three young children, and an educator at a health sciences college in Missouri. My family and I reside on a farm here in Jacksonville, MO- a farm that has been in the family for 175 years. On this farm, we have several working wells that we pull water from. For the past few years, we have endured the spreading of this “fertilizer” on the field across from our home and on the fields adjoining ours to the west of our home. We have felt like prisoners in our own home during and after this spreading, unable to enjoy the outdoors or even walk to our cars to leave without smelling the wretched odor. The smell is nauseating and has caused my child to be sick, throwing up multiple times after just seconds of breathing in the air. There is no doubt that this waste basin will affect our quality of life. I think it’s important to point out that the company that owns and operates these waste basins, describes themselves as “a specialty waste and environmental services company.” In addition, their SIC code (or Standard Industrial Classification code) is listed as #4953 which is a classification for “refuse systems.” When they applied for a MO state operating permit from the DNR however, they listed their SIC code as #0711, which is a classification for “soil preparation services.” I believe the reason for this is that these waste companies are trying to work the system and dress up their sludge as “fertilizer” so that they can hide the fact that they are dumping waste in poor rural communities. Even the MO Fertilizer Control Board has deemed that this sludge does not pass as fertilizer, so we should consider that their waste is in fact solid waste and thus adhere to solid waste management laws. We must stop these companies from utilizing loopholes that allow them to dump their waste with little to no regulation and accountability. The overwhelming majority of farmers in our community are opposed to using this free “fertilizer” on their fields, likely because they understand agronomy and how detrimental this sludge can be to the health of their soil and crops. But the waste companies would have the public believe otherwise, as apparent from this statement by waste company Denali Water Solutions spokesman Samuel Liebl who said that “More than 100 Missouri farmers rely on our organic fertilizers.” According to the Missouri Department of Agriculture, there are nearly 100,000 farms in Missouri, with approximately 90% of them being family owned. 100 farmers out of 100,000 farms in Missouri use this waste sludge as “fertilizer.” Doing the math, that means that only 0.10 % of farmers in Missouri use this sludge on their land. 0.10%. This is not a product that is needed or has any value in our state. Very few farmers use it, and it is not fair to our rural communities that must sustain the immediate and long-term health effects from both its storage and application. Those who benefit the most from this waste disposal practice are the waste disposal companies and the businesses from which they collect the waste; it is a cheap disposal method as opposed to other responsible disposal practices that exist. Once this sludge is hauled in and dumped into these waste basins (and then onto farm fields), our water will be at risk for contamination. Research shows that

sludge contains highly toxic chemicals, pharmaceuticals, PFAS, and pathogens. Once these materials enter our soil and eventually our waterways, the damage cannot be undone. In Southwest Missouri, these waste basins have a history of overflows as well as over-applied sludge fields with significant run-off. They have committed violation after violation of the Clean Water Act, facing minimal fines from the DNR that are meaningless to a multi-million dollar waste disposal company. Why do we keep allowing them to operate in our state when they clearly continue to violate the Clean Water Act over and over again? Currently, the DNR only requires once a year testing of the sludge materials! Truckload after truckload of this sludge is being hauled in from hundreds of different facilities, many out-of-state, mixing their waste together to create a chemical cocktail so unknown, even the haulers are unable to carry MSDS paperwork with them, as they can't really determine what chemicals comprise the sludge at any given moment. We must have stricter regulations in place to prevent these businesses from polluting our water with this sludge laden with chemicals, pathogens, pharmaceuticals, and PFAS. Our water is worth protecting. Our state is worth protecting. Please impose stricter regulations on these waste companies, and do not let our state become the dumping ground of the country. Thank you for your time.



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As a lifelong resident of Randolph County, I would appreciate the voices of the residents be heard on the proposed bill 2134. We as citizens should be able to protect the water for the present and the future for our children and grandchildren. I do not feel that the taxpayers/residents should have to endure what harm this could cause. Please think about what this could do to our community!



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This lagoon is right at a mile to the south of my home, this is not acceptable. The truck traffic will be right in front of my property. I can't believe that this lagoon could even be legal or even be considered. The run off of this lagoon is a creek that goes directly to the Mark Twain Lake, a major source water for Missouri Citizens.



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My name is Korrie Bateman and I live here in Newton County, approximately 2 miles south of the Evans basin. To say our lives have been impacted by this basin is an understatement. We have a nice home, nice community, and it has all been ruined by this lagoon. Not only is the smell a huge problem, not knowing what is in the sludge is very troublesome. We feel as if we are being poisoned by our neighbors and no one is doing anything about it. The smell that comes from the basin and from when they land apply is horrific, nothing like you have ever smelled before. We can't go outside, open our windows in our home, have get togethers, or just enjoy our property. How many people mow their yard or plan outdoor stuff depending on the wind direction? We do, that's what our life has come down to. It's not just a smell, with all the oil and chemicals in the sludge it just sticks to your clothes, furniture, whatever it touches. We have a 10 year old son and he is forced to stay inside most days because of the smell. Then when you have stench you have flies, millions and millions of flies. We spend \$200-400 a month on fly spray, traps, plus have an exterminator come once a month to spray. This doesn't even get rid of them, some days doesn't even control them. We have thought of just moving, but we are going to take a loss on our home, who wants to buy this and live here with this lagoon in our backyard?? And why should we have to disrupt our entire life and move away from a home we love because of this?? We were never asked about this coming in here, we never had a choice!! We have called the DNR so many times it's not even funny, some weeks we called them multiple times a day, only to feel like we were just hitting a dead end every time. We have filed reports with the sheriff's office, called and complained to anyone and everyone we could think that would help. I truly don't think people realize how big of problem and how harmful this stuff is unless they have to live it like us. We have been forced out of our home one weekend in Sept because of a neighbor land applying it and the wind direction was coming straight to us. We couldn't even go inside and get away from it, the smell came in our ac unit, and any air space in our house. Our entire home stunk, furniture, bedding, our clothes!! We had to go stay with family for 2 days. When I smell it very long at a time it makes my nose burn and my throat hurt, I will usually lose my voice the next day and have a terrible headache. I also own my own dog grooming business here at my home and I have lost business from the odor, people don't want their dogs leaving here smelling of that horrible smell!!! Losing a few clients is a huge loss to a small business. So not only does it affect our home life it affects my business. Denali has got so many violations for over applying, spills, run offs, the basin foaming over and the DNR just slaps them on the wrist and they keep trucking. The problem I have with this the most is that sludge is NOT fertilizer, it is waste. Why does our state allow these big companies to bring their waste here and dump it in our land?? If this stuff was good and had some kind of value to it, they would t be giving it away to farmers for free, it's free because it is waste and they want to save money by not disposing of it correctly. There is little to no testing to see what is even in the stuff!! It's mind blowing that we have become a dumpsite for this poison!! We are better than this, we are an agricultural state, not a landfill

for waste!!! Please listen to the people that live this day in and day out, hear what we have to say and put yourself in our shoes. Would you want this in your backyard when there is better and safer ways to dispose of it??



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I live approximately 2 miles south of the Evans basin and since this basin has went in and this waste has been being land applied, the lives of us and our neighbors have been impacted greatly. Not only is the smell horrendous, but the constant worry about the harmful stuff in the sludge is what bothers us the most. This stuff is waste, it is not fertilizer, they should have to dispose of it properly instead of dumping it in our backyards. We can't enjoy our property, have family get together, do anything outside when they are land applying close by and a lot of times we get odor straight from the lagoon. We have called DNR multiple times, some weeks we call multiple times a day, but little to nothing is being done. We have even filed complaints with the sheriff's office. This lagoon has ruined our nice little community and all the peoples in it lives as they knew before. They over apply and have multiple violations under the DNR, but it seems they get a little fine and keep trucking. Missouri is an agricultural state, but we are not a dumpsite to these big industrial companies, make them dispose of this poison properly and stop letting them pollute our land and waterways.



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Please consider my testimony regarding the sludge lagoon that has been created just a mile southeast of our home. We live in the country so we are not surrounded by alot of traffic and can live cleanly. If this lagoon is able to be used it would cause alot more traffic on our road. Any run off from the lagoon will spill on to farm land and a creek that flows into the Mark Twain Lake, this will poison fish and wildlife from here to wherever it ends up. What is projected to be held in the lagoon is a mystery at this point but from everything that has been researched so far it could be animal waste to cleaning products used in food industry to petroleum products. This doesn't even include the breathtaking smell that will be all around us especially in the summer when we spend time outside. Hanging out laundry won't be possible.



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I am originally from St. Louis, Mo and Cold-Water Creek and Times Beach was something I grew up with. If you do not know anything about either I suggest you educate yourself. They had no idea what the repercussions of dumping/applying those chemicals around would do to the people or the land. Cold-Water Creek was contaminated decades ago by nuclear waste from the production of weapons during WWII and clean up is projected to still be on going until 2038. Health implications of breast, colon, prostate, kidney and bladder cancers as well as leukemia has been linked directly to this creek. Times Beach has been a ghost town after being evacuated for 40 years, even the burning of the soil has not help to recover the land and the health implications of cancer, miscarriages, genetic mutations, liver and nerve damage and health effects including death in humans and animals. We now live in a small community in Randolph County. The proposed basin is within 2 miles from my home. The basin is built on the Mark Twain Water Shed that also runs through my backyard. My 4 children and livestock play and drink from that creek. My concerns are HUGE. For our health and safety. No one gave a second thought to either Cold Water Creek or Times Beach until the damage was done and lives were lost and towns became inhabitable. So here we are again, different town but with the same threat to our livelihoods, health, families and our farms. Here are some of my concerns for this issue. For our WATER: What is your recovery plan to repair the contamination due to leaks/spills/seepage? This water shed goes through 3 counties. How will you test and repair the contaminated wells and drinking water? Who is developing the means to test for or find the levels of PFAS? Last I was told there was no way of testing for PFAS levels...that is a HUGE concern. Who determines what levels are safe for people and livestock? One drop in an Olympic sized swimming pool causes catastrophic damage. What is the plan when the levels of PFAS are too high? Is the sludge application process put on pause until the levels become "safe" again? What is your "safe" levels that you deem acceptable for: nitrogen, phosphorus, heavy metals, antibiotics, hormones, bacteria and pesticides to be released into the environment and or water? What is your plan for increased mosquito and fly population? These pests carry many issues. For our HEALTH: Who will be held accountable for the decline of health? For the doctor visits, the diagnosis of cancer or lung disease. These types of basins increase the risk of bacterial infections, respiratory ailments and grow antibiotic RESISTANT bacteria, nose/throat tissue damage, desensitization from the noxious toxic air plume, neurological and musculoskeletal weakness, gastrointestinal symptoms and has known carcinogens. For our WILDLIFE: Chronic waste disease or CWD is spread from animal to animal through contact with contaminated fluids, tissue and exposure to CWD in the environment, such as water or food. If you have a large body of water, you will get animals that come to that water and they will eat, drink and take whatever they pick up with them. They will pass whatever they get contaminated with through the food chain. Yes, there is a 4-strain fence, it will not keep any animal or human out or in. This area has a large deer hunting community and the potential health risk for all animals encountering contaminated plants water from the basin or land

application is HUGE. How are you preparing to keep All of us and our animals, water, wells, streams safe? Hemorrhagic Disease in White Tails Deer often called blue tongue is caused by viruses transmitted by small, biting flies. These deer with Blue Tong go to the water because the fever makes them want to drink. These deer are often found around ponds, streams, creeks and other water sources. These biting midges or gnats that breed and live in pools of standing water. The point is things happen animals die from natural causes, disease and contamination where they take their last breath is where what killed them will leach out in to the area around them. If its water or ground. You have no idea what ramifications that this type of basin, or chemicals that is in it will do over time to the people, land, or water. Also with the sporadic pumping into and extraction of the contents of the basin you will not be able to maintain "safe" levels of nitrogen level resulting in "Algal Blooms" and "Fish Kills". How will you maintain safe 24 hours levels in this basin? For our AIR QUALITY: How will you test the Air for pollutions due to nitrogen levels, Methane, Hydrogen sulfide, carbon dioxide and ammonia? How will you address and fix the constant and on-going foul odors that will infiltrate my home, clothing and vehicle? I ran over a patch of this crap on the gravel road and my van smelled like a rotting dead body for 2 weeks!! For our PROPERTY VALUE: I know you can not do anything about this but its bull shit that I have worked all of my life to build my dream home in the county quiet and everything I have blood sweat and tears has been built into my home and this can decrease my patch of heaven's value 77% - Anyone who is on the other side of this is a thief! Apparently, everyone has to practically sell and there be a study done before our taxes can change. There is a diner in our little town and they have vents like all kitchens have and the toxic fumes will be pulled into the kitchen and into the food. The whole family will lose their livelihood. We did not move into an area where there was a pig barn or equivalent smells and I don't understand how something can just be built with contaminates and we are supposed to sit back and take it especially when certain companies has so many issues with contamination and fines. It should be a law that when Manufacturing companies have been built, they should also have to make allowances to safely incinerate their "renderings" or waste as part of their business plan. There should be absolutely NO dumping of "Animal Waste", "Bi-product Waste" or "Rendering's" and it's absolutely idiotic for anyone to believe their are no ramifications for the PFAS, chemicals and who knows what to be dumped into a basin. I also feel that DNR is a joke. They have only ran us around without providing straight answers and I feel that they have failed our community. They were put into place to protect our Natural Resources and I feel they have been a waste of my hard earned tax dollars so far!! I pray that these basins get stopped and the dumping ceases.



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**My family lives close to said sludge basin in Randolph County and we do not want it to be operational
Please keep our land and water free from this junk**



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