



# City of Cambridge

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## IN CITY COUNCIL

November 21, 1983

COUNCILLOR DUEHAY

- WHEREAS: Acid precipitation in Massachusetts is killing fish and other aquatic life in our lakes, ponds, and streams and is associated with rising levels of toxic metals in our drinking water and is damaging our Commonwealth's monuments and buildings and is suspected of killing forests, degrading soil quality and damaging crops; and
- WHEREAS: Pollution sources within Massachusetts emit significant amounts of sulfur dioxide, and have been estimated to cause between twenty and thirty per-cent of the acid deposition within Massachusetts; and
- WHEREAS: Further increases in acid deposition will cause massive environmental damage to the sensitive water bodies of this Commonwealth; and
- WHEREAS: The Governor, acting with and through the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, has the authority to provide for the protection and reclamation of our natural resources, pursuant to Mass. General Laws, Chapter 6A, Sections 2-4 and Chapter 21A, Section 2, among other laws; and
- WHEREAS: A comprehensive solution to the problem of acid rain requires prompt, effective Federal legislation; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record commending Governor Dukakis for his initiative in proposing national legislation to control acid precipitation and calls upon the Governor, acting with and through the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs and its Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, to impose a cap on the allowable amount of sulfur dioxide that may be emitted in Massachusetts and to set this limit at a level equal to the average of Massachusetts' 1981 and 1982 actual emissions; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That this City Council hereby calls upon Senator Kennedy, Senator Tsongas and Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., to make it a top priority to pass legislation to reduce sulfur dioxide emissions nationwide by fifty per-cent within ten years.

In City Council November 21, 1983.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.



# CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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OFFICE OF  
THE CITY CLERK

November 15, 1983

Mr. Mark Izeman  
Mass. PIRG/Tufts University  
237 Lewis Hall  
Medford, MA 02155

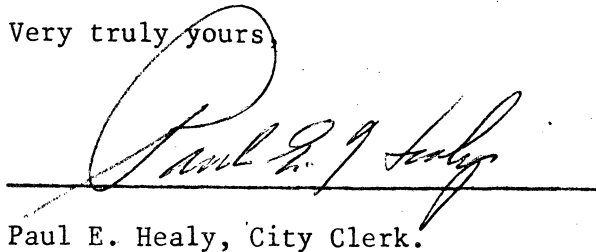
Dear Mr. Izeman:

Please be advised that the City Council is in receipt of your communication dated November 10, 1983, expressing your regrets at being unable to attend the November 14th hearing on the problem of "acid rain".

Pursuant to your request, the City Council has re-scheduled this hearing to Monday, November 21, 1983 at 6:30 P.M., to be held in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, Cambridge. Your presence is hereby requested at this time.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,



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Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS

November 10, 1983  
MASSPIRG/Tufts U.  
237 Lewis Hall  
Medford, Ma. 02155

Mr. Paul Healy  
City Clerk  
City Hall  
Cambridge, Ma. 02136

Dear Mr. Healy,

I regret to inform you that I will be unable to attend the public hearing I am scheduled for on Monday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m.. I am very sorry to have to postpone my hearing again, but circumstances beyond my control make it impossible for my group to attend.

Because of the urgency of our resolution and the work we have been conducting in the community of Cambridge, I would like to reschedule a hearing for November 21, if possible. I am sorry to cause such difficulties in scheduling and appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Respectively,



Mark Izeman,  
Chairman TuftsPIRG

# City of Cambridge

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Comm. from Mark Izeman, Mass. Pirg/Tufts  
University expressing his regrets at  
being unable to attend this evening's  
hearing on acid rain & requesting that  
the hearing be rescheduled to November  
21, 1983.

11/21/83

Hearing Held

see Order Relating

petitioner notified by letter of  
hearing 11/16/83 mch

In City Council,

November 14, 1983

11/14/83

Placed on File

New Hearing on

Nov 21, 1983 6<sup>30</sup>/pm