

# Protest at US Ecology (Waste Facility) in Detroit

Ban Fracking and Frack Waste in Michigan!

**SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 3RD  
@10:00**

**US ECOLOGY,  
6520 GEORGIA  
ST., DETROIT,  
48211**



US Ecology, a hazardous waste facility operating in the middle of Detroit, has requested that its Detroit (North) location near Hamtramck be allowed to expand its operations by 10 times with their eye on huge profits from frack and other hazardous waste.

Michigan has opened its arms to large amounts of radioactive frack waste from fracking sites around the country. Frack waste from other states is being transported on truck, down our roads and into our city for processing. At US Ecology, liquid radioactive wastes are processed for solidification, the solids shipped to Idaho and liquid residue from this processing is dumped into the Detroit waste water treatment plant.

Michigan Dept. of Environmental Quality (DEQ) stated that it plans to approve US Ecology's request to expand. This expansion plan will only exacerbate an already egregious public health and environmental situation by pumping radioactivity into the Detroit water system. This practice was banned in Pennsylvania in 2011 because high levels of bromide were found in the liquid waste, which, when combined with the chlorine in the water, produced cancer-causing chemicals.

Detroit is already carrying the toxic burden of the largest incinerator in the world and the 250 acre Marathon refinery. And now US Ecology wants to bring more hazardous, radioactive waste into the heart of our city, and radioactivity into our public water system.

**Join us at the protest and get involved in two efforts: The DEQ has extended a public comment period until October 12; and the Committee to Ban Fracking in Michigan's ballot initiative to ban frack wastes from the state would put a stop to this practice statewide.**

(See [www.letsbanfracking.org](http://www.letsbanfracking.org)).

Protest coordinated by: **BanMichiganFracking.org, Committee to Ban Fracking in Michigan & Metro Detroiters for Bernie**