

Covanta Marion incinerator produces highly toxic air emissions from its stacks and toxic-laden ash that is hauled away and dumped on land. I live a few miles from the Republic Landfill where a lot of the ash is dumped.

The combustion of this waste is responsible for dangerous emissions of dioxin, lead, mercury, cadmium, dozens of volatile organic compounds, climate-driving gasses, and more.

Covanta is importing more than 50% of the medical waste they burn from out-of-state and out-of-country sources. This makes Oregon the dumping ground for the waste other states don't want to deal with!

I hope Senate Bill 488 be passed. It will require the DEQ to adopt more health protective federal air pollution standards for incinerators that burn a large amount of medical waste.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Vicki Idema