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**Sent:** Wednesday, July 26, 2023 3:01 PM

**To:** Allison MacEwen <AMacEwen@irac.pe.ca>

**Subject:** Objection: Proposed new gas station, convenience store, and Tim Horton's in Borden-Carleton

Dear Ms. MacEwen,

I would like to submit this email as my objection to the proposed new gas station, convenience store and Tim Horton's planned to occupy the corner of Dickie Rd and Hwy 1 in Borden-Carleton.

Borden-Carleton and the surrounding communities do NOT need another service station, etc. The addition of another as proposed would surely negatively impact Ceretti's gas and grocery store, and Howatt's Shell, as it would dilute the business from the summer tourist season which is an important part of Ceretti's and Howatt's business plans, i.e. they require the summer tourist traffic in order to make their businesses run year round.

How many gas stations does this small area need?

As a full-time resident of North Carleton, I do the lion's share of my grocery shopping at Ceretti's. If there is another gas station that squeezes out the others by diluting their business, there will ultimately be fewer gas stations for full time islanders and tourists alike, and an important grocery amenity will no longer exist. This is counter productive for both the islanders and the tourists. The community does not need another convenience store....we need Ceretti's for proper groceries, meats, produce, and hardware.

From a tourism perspective, if we keep changing our island by killing the mom & pop businesses and incorporating corporate businesses we will lose our charm, an important element that draws tourists here. PEI Tourism's endorsement of this proposal is short sighted and completely dismissive of the needs of the surrounding community.

I am entirely against this proposal.

Sincerely,

Allison Dillon

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