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

Subject: Opposition to Application of D.P. Murphy Inc. Docket PD527

Mr. MacEwen:

I am writing in support of Howatt's Tourist Mart and Cereti's Grocery in Borden Carleton who are fighting for their very existence since learning of the intent of D.P. Murphy Inc. (and Irving) to open a convenience/gas bar/coffee shop on land adjacent to Ceretti's Grocery.

These two businesses have been the backbone (and at times lifeline) of the residents of Borden-Carleton and surrounding areas for almost 100 years. They have withstood the changes that have affected Borden-Carleton over that time, Their doors have always been open to provide for and care for their clients. Everyone is known by name and respected for their contributions to the community.

Borden-Carleton has withstood many changes including the closure of Marine Atlantic when the Confederation Bridge opened and many of it's residents became unemployed. Entire families either worked for or had a number of family members employed there and struggled to gain new employment. The Bridge is wonderful and truly appreciated but in no way does it replace the number of good paying jobs lost.

We had heard hat D.P. Murphy was bringing a TimsWendy's to Borden-Carleton and that was wonderful but the idea of Irving adding ONE MORE gas bar to an already crowded market is mind-boggling.

Please carefully consider this decision and give the citizens of Borden-Carleton some respect.

Sincerely

C.A.Dawson (a family who has used both Howatt's & Ceretti's services for almost the total number of years they have been in operation)