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

Dear Mr. MacEwen,

This is a letter to object the construction of the DP Murphy Retail outlet in my community of Borden-Carleton. The construction of such an establishment would mean the loss of one or more of the already well established and well supported community businesses in the Borden area. Ceretti's Grocery and Hardware as well as Howatt's Shell have been vital to the community of Borden-Carleton where I grew up. The community relies heavily on these local businesses for endless needs. They have been helping everyone in our community for generations and never waiver in giving a helping hand to those who have come up against hard times. Truly fortunate to have caring entrepreneurs in our community.

Both of these establishments have been in the community for generations and deserve to be supported to continue their services without the threat of losing seasonal visitors and travellers to a new establishment who have no personal connection to the community and are only looking to strengthen their already large and sufficient pockets.

Personally, both local businesses have supported me with sponsorships for fundraising initiatives, wellness activities and much more. The owners are easily accessible and willing to support youth in the community- with DP Murphy moving in, there is a guarantee that these supports for current youth in the community would dissipate.

Ceretti's and Howatt's struggled through the difficult times of the COVID-19 pandemic where business was maintained through individuals in our community. When food access was limited and supply chain concerns at their highest, these local businesses were there doing the best they could to have products accessible for our residents. It is completely unacceptable to consider moving in an additional retail outlet in a time where we should be supporting local PEI businesses to the fullest!

-Resident of Borden-Carleton

Carol Waddell