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Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2023 8:37 AM **To:** Allison MacEwen <AMacEwen@irac.pe.ca>

Subject: DP Murphy Borden

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my objection to DP Murphy building another gas station in the town of Borden. I do not see a need in the town for a fourth gas station, especially within a 2 minute walk from two other gas stations that have been a staple in the community for many years.

Covid has not been nice to these small businesses, especially the family businesses of Cerettis and Howatts both of which have been in the community for generations. Both businesses are always there to help out those in need in the community, whether it be opening during a storm for supplies, sponosoring community events, or even letting you buy groceries on a tab until pay week.

Now is the time for us to give back to these businesses and help them grow again in a post covid world, not create competition just down the street which will more likely than not close at least one of the other businesses down.

I do not support the creation of another gas station in the small community, and I will refuse to bring my business there. There are lots of other communities (like Crapaud) that have no gas stations and could benefit from one. Borden definitely does not need 4. DP Murphy could look into a spot like that for his new business.

Thank you for hearing our concerns, we hope that you have the community members, and existing businesses best interests in mind when you make your decision.

Nadine Walsh