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

**Subject:** Letter of objection

Subject: Opposition to the construction of a new gas station in our community

Dear Mr. MacEwen

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to express my deep concerns and opposition to the proposed construction of a new gas station in our small local community. As a concerned resident, I firmly believe that the addition of another gas station in an already saturated market would be detrimental to the well-being of our community and the local run family businesses that have been in Borden Carleton for generations. .

Our community currently has an ample number of gas stations to cater to the needs of residents and visitors alike, including the summer months. These existing gas stations have served our community faithfully for many years, providing essential services while fostering a sense of familiarity and trust among the locals. The addition of another gas station would not only lead to unnecessary competition, but it would be expected that may also result in a decline in revenue for the established businesses, potentially jeopardizing their sustainability and the livelihoods they support.

Moreover, our community's size and population simply do not warrant the need for another gas station. The demand for fuel and associated services is adequately met by the existing stations. Rather than encouraging healthy competition, the construction of a new gas station would create an oversupply, leading to an inefficient allocation of resources and unnecessary strain on local businesses.

In light of the above concerns, I kindly request that you reconsider the approval of the proposed construction project. I urge you to prioritize the well-being of our existing local businesses and the long-term sustainability of our community over the short-term gains that may be associated with a new gas station. Instead, let us focus our efforts on supporting initiatives that foster innovation, environmental stewardship, and the growth of our community in a well-rounded and sustainable manner.

Thank you for considering my perspective on this matter. I trust that you will carefully weigh the implications and make a decision that is in the best interest of our community and its residents.

Yours sincerely,  
Ricky Harvey