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**Subject:** Opposition complaint regarding PD527-New Retail Gasoline Outlet Application-D.P Murphy

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you today to convey my "strong opposition" to the application from D.P Murphy group to construct a Retail/Gasoline outlet in Borden, Prince Edward Island.

First of all the proposed site for this gas station is right next door to an Irving Gas Station/Retail outlet (one of three) that has been serving the town for generations.

Having 3 large gas stations in Borden/Carleton, which have proven to be more than sufficient for an area that is not densely populated. Especially in the very long off season which we are all familiar with here on the Island.

One of the main reasons tourists choose our beautiful island to visit, is for the small town charm. A large part of which are family run businesses that serve the community, providing local products and a friendly welcome. They certainly don't come for conglomerate run quick stops, with generic products that can be found at any other location!

The fact is if you allow this application, these other family run businesses will close. Jobs will be lost and it will take more money away from a community that has already struggled enough.

It would be a travesty to approve this application. The D.P Murphy group should construct their Gas/Retail outlet in another part of PEI, where it is actually needed & that is NEVER going to be Borden. I understand there are a fairly large amount of Islanders that have had time to write to you to in opposition to this application, but I can assure you there are far more. This represents just the tip of the iceberg!

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours Faithfully,

Sarah Desroches