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To whom this may concern because I am definitely concerned. After 50+ years of being a customer to both Ceretti's Irving and Howatt's Shell I most certainly don't see a need for greed in our community. These two gas stations plus an Esso, can and have been serving Borden and the surrounding neighborhoods quite adequately for years. If a new station is built it will definitely be the end for one or perhaps both of these already established businesses. The domino effect will be felt by almost everyone for a very long time.

Where can one go and get their gas tank filled, pick up a can of cream of chicken soup, get your fishing license, buy a bus ticket, play the lottery, get some Mr. Clean 'cause your mother-in-law is on her way over and your floor is dirty or even to find out how Mrs. MacDonald is doing all under one roof! I am quite sure that in a time of carbon concerns and global warming and skyrocketing fuel prices that having to travel to our nearest Summerside stores would not be a good thing for many of the citizens. We rely on and support our local business people who need us as much as we need them and to remain here and continue providing the same great services that keep a heartbeat and tradition in our region. Small family businesses are the backbone of great communities not corporations or superchain enterprises.

When the tourist season ends I wonder who is going to buy all those hamburgers... Won't be the locals because their money will be spent traveling to the nearest city to get their life necessities. -regards from Mr and Mrs. DeMerchant