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Subject: FW: Letter of Opposition to a Gas Retail outlet Application submitted by DP Murphy
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Subject: Letter of Opposition to a Gas Retail outlet Application submitted by DP Murphy

Mr MacEwen,

I want to submit my formal opposition to the application submitted for the establishment of a 4th petroleum retail outlet in the Town of Borden-Carleton based on the following points:

- a. the current area has 3 petroleum retail outlets within a 2-km radius, 3 within a half of a km.
- b. all three stations sell and provide the following products as defined by the Act:
 - diesel
 - all three grades of gasoline, from regular, mid and supreme
 - propane, either in dispensed or container
 - furnace oil
 - commercial diesel
- c. consumption or dispensed products are consistent with the needs of the consumer and are being provided currently with no lack of products being available for the traveling public.
- d. current hours of operation by the existing stations are provided 24 hours a day and year-round.
- e. all three existing stations, provide a variety of convenience items and food products
- f. with the move towards electric powered vehicles, the move away from gasoline powered vehicles is the path of both the Provincial and the Federal Governments, which alone goes against the establishment of more petroleum-based outlets
- g. an electric charging location has been established and the direction is to construct more is being considered by the petroleum outlets and the Government

h. the constructing of any new retail outlet will add to the environmental risk of petroleum-based storage tanks and the direction of the Government , both Federal and Provincial as they lessen the dependency on fossil based fuels.

It is my belief as an expert in the petroleum retail industry, that there is no need, based on the conditions of the Petroleum Act, the services presently being provided for, that IRAC should grant any new retail outlet license in the Borden-Carleton Area.

It is believed that any such new retail outlet would jeopardize the existence of the existing stations and could lead to less services being available to the Area.

The present stations have invested continuously in the market which has been very volatile over the last 3 to 5 years with no sign of change. This type of market conditions in the petroleum world causes strain on the retail sector. To add another license would cause further pressure on the local markets ability to operate.

It should be noted that the applicant and his legal counsel presented an overview before the Council for the Town of Borden-Carleton on the 9th May 2023 and subsequently his legal counsel admitted before the Council, that there was only need for two retail outlets, theirs and one other. This statement alone proves that they know that if a license is granted, two stations could close.

Please accept this email in opposition and my intention to by an intervener with the opportunity to question the applicant and the parties that support the application.

Respectfully yours,