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To: [Thompson, Alexis](#)
Subject: Public Comment in OPPOSITION of the Zoning Variance
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Dear Providence Zoning Board,

My name is Maddie King and I am a Providence resident writing to voice my **strong opposition** to Narragansett Improvement Co. and Cumberland Farms Inc.'s application for use variance to use the property for materials processing and and storage of non-waterfront materials.

Approving this variance would **legitimize the Narragansett Improvement Co's illegal activity using this parcel for pollutants which they have previously done outside of the jurisdiction of the Board.** Granting the Company this legal allowance -- which they have already demonstrated they have no intent to respect -- will set a pernicious precedent for corporate overreach and undermine your own Board's rule of law.

Permitting pollutants in this parcel is a **public health hazard which will further demonstrated threats already present in our communities.** Everyone should be able to breathe without fearing they are damaging their physical safety.

Sanctioning actions that produce pollutants is **inconsistent with Rhode Island and Providence's Climate Justice Plans, which seek the green, vibrant, and sustainable communities that we all deserve.**

I urge you to turn down this application and refuse to be complicit in corporate monopoly over our shared public space.

Thank you,
Maddie King