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Projet d'établissement d'un lieu d'enfouissement technique à Danford Lake

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Dear Madame Poliquin.

I was born in Venosta QC along highway 105. My brother is farming on our 7th generation family farm there. Like my nephew farming close by, and others, they must all take their big tractors for 6 km each way along highway 105 to transport huge wagons of baled hay to their barns. This happens for weeks at a time for the first and the second cut of hay each summer. I am concerned for the safety of these men should those narrow, winding roads have to cope with an additional garbage truck every 6 minutes.

Huge garbage trucks hauling garbage from cities long distances into the country is inexcusable when alternatives exist. To endure such a primitive method of handling waste as proposed by LDC-Gestion would be inflicting a monstrous environmental and social impact on the people along hundreds of kilometres of highways. It would be, in my opinion, like letting people suffer from smallpox and polio when vaccines exist. Make no mistake, unnecessary deaths will occur on these already busy, narrow, winding roads.

All the little villages and towns along highways 105 and 301 have houses very close to the road. Many lost much of their front lawns when the road was widened in places years ago. The incessant noise of garbage trucks would make their homes prison-like as windows would have to be kept closed due to the noise impact. Gone would be the pleasure of enjoying chatting on the porches and lawns!

I am concerned for the safety of:

- 1. The small children who must board and get off school buses at their homes along the proposed garbage truck route.
- The students from grade 7 through college who spend from 2 to 3 hours daily travelling to Gatineau-Hull for classes.
- 3. The many people who travel to work in Gatineau-Hull and Ottawa.
- 4. The many people who must travel to Gatineau-Hull and Ottawa to see doctors and specialists.
- 5. The tourists who travel into this beautiful region, which counts heavily on their dollars.
- 6. The farmers who must use the highway and the narrow shoulder to bring in their crops. Let us never forget that everyone's food comes from farms!

I note a recent announcement by Natural Resources Minister, Mr.Claude Béchard, that Quebec will implement a carbon tax, saying, "We all have a responsibility. Every Quebecer has a responsibility." This is leadership. I congratulate the Quebec government's initiative! I trust that such concern for the environment will set a high standard when deciding this LDC-Gestion proposal to pile garbage on a few sheets of plastic near beautiful Danford Lake village.

We have the vaccines to prevent smallpox. We use it! We have plasma gasification to prevent all sorts of disasters. Let's use it!

Sincerely yours,

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