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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Protest/Opposition Statement FD 36833

We are writing on behalf of the Horton Township Sportsman's Club to express our opposition to Docket FD 36833, Petition for Exemption for Lampwrights LLC to Construct and Operate a Rail Line from the Crenshaw Owens-Illinois Plant to the Superior Greentree Landfill.

The proposed right of way for the proposed rail line is designed to come within a very short distance of the rear of our Club's property. This is a serious concern of our club, which has approximately 1300 members.

The picture at the very bottom of this letter shows our Club building, along with the property marker with a ribbon on top (large arrow pointing to it). This is where the centerline of the former right of way of the non-existent railroad would have been. The proposal by Lampwrights LLC is to use the same right of way that would have been used when a rail line existed there. You can see how dangerously close the proposed right of way would be to our building and to the area we use for public and club events, described below.

Each year, we hold a number of events and activities behind our club, that involve the serving of food, that would be in close proximity to where they want the trash train to run. Our food and social events are not restricted to our membership. Many people from the local community attend, and as well as invited guests and visitors from all over the state.

There are many visitors to the Club not just from Pennsylvania, but from many points North and South, since US 219 is a major thoroughfare. Besides the activities that the Club sponsors, the Army-Navy Memorial that sits along US 219 at the front of our property is an oft-visited attraction by many out-of-state visitors paying their respects to the veterans who are memorialized there. A picture of the front of our Club with the memorial prominently displayed appears above. We are concerned about anything that would detract from members, guests or visitors deciding to patronize our club and the veteran's memorial. The trash train would definitely be a serious detriment.

We believe this would be completely unacceptable to our membership, serving food with a trash train in sight, not to mention the safety issue of a potential derailment so close to a public activity occurring.

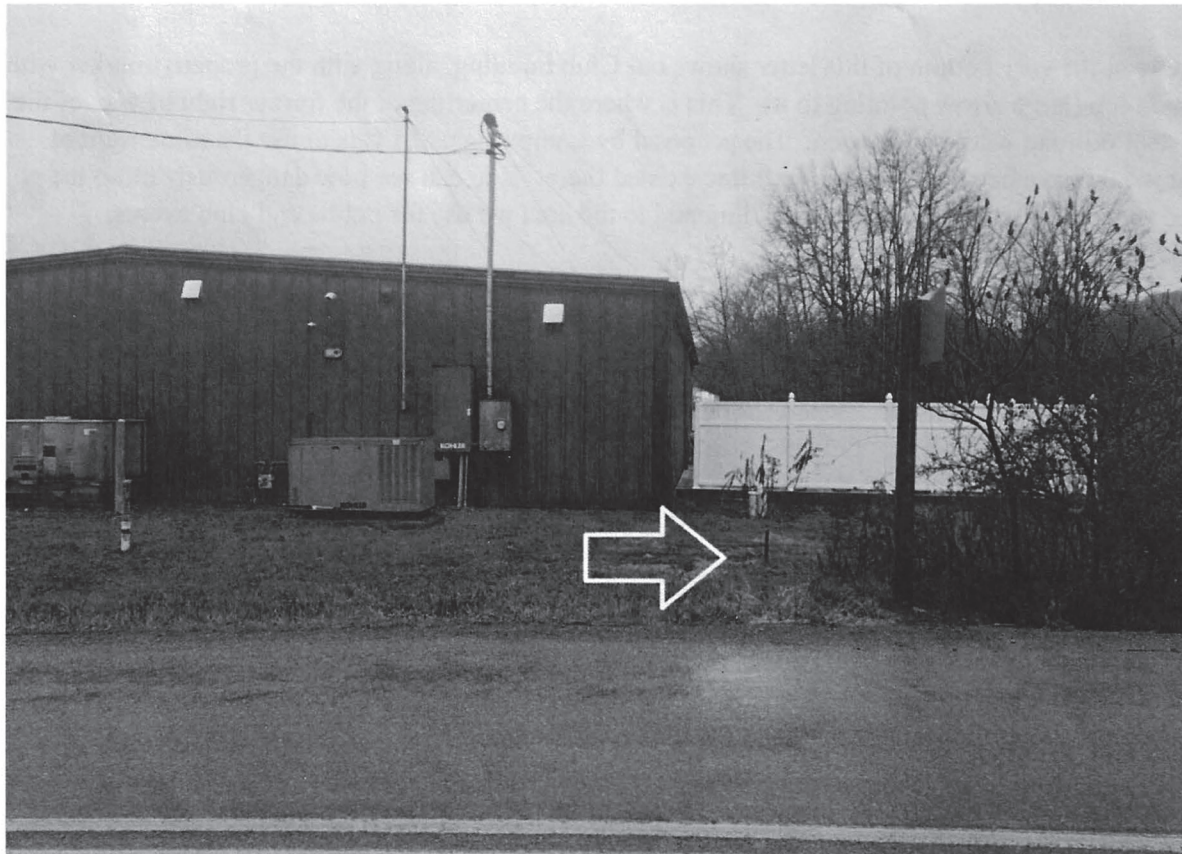
There are other concerns we have in terms of the impact on our environment and our community, not the least of which is Toby Creek, which is now a beautiful trout stream that has been thoroughly rehabilitated after a massive effort by this community to restore what the deadly effects of contamination from coal mining had destroyed. This stream is only a few hundred yards from our Club and is a vital piece of recreation for our members and many others from our community, as well as the state game lands just north of us.

In closing, this letter is to express our opposition based on the detrimental effect this proposed rail line would have on our current club and membership, as well as our concern for how this trash train would impact our Club's future growth and welfare.

Sincerely,

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CC: Parties of Record