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To Danielle Gosselin
Surface Transportation Board,

In response to the deadline comment period re: reopening of the R.J.Corman R.R.Line to proposed Rush Township landfill.

Let me start by defining this section of line. It will be a spur, this means that it will lead only to the proposed landfill and serve the landfill only.

Ms Gosselin , this part of the line will be used to transport out of state garbage, some of which is industrial waste and radioactive materials. These cars carrying this contaminated waste will be traveling through areas that can and will have a detrimental impact to not only our watershed but also the Chesapeake Bay should these cars leak the leachate created from this waste. There will also be times that these cars will be stopped on areas of this spur for days creating an even bigger threat to our water supply.

Our water supply cannot be replaced once it's destroyed. Also the Chesapeake Bay through D.E.P. has implemented regulations upon regulations on the people of this area to maintain clean water practices. The threat of disaster that could occur at any time from no less than 54 cars of waste traveling through this water shed area is phenomenal.

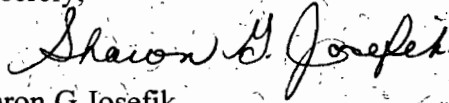
The reopening of the area of R.J.Corman lines will also include creating the spur to the landfill to be used only for that purpose. Imagine 54 cars sitting on a track in the middle of an area that is surrounded with camps, hikers, residential housing and our kids on a beautiful 80degree day.

These cars will also be a threat to the hardwoods of the area causing fires from the static of the wheels.

Again, the threat to the water supply is overwhelming from leachate and combustion fires. The facts are overwhelming this track needs to be denied. Our waters and watersheds must be

protected at all costs. The track will be effecting EV waters, waters that cannot ever be repaired once destroyed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sharon G. Josefik".

Sharon G Josefik

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