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Subject: FW: Rezoning of Mark and Irene Frey, property on Con 9, Part Gore Lot A, Geographic Township of Egremont, Township of Southgate
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From: Cathy Watson [REDACTED]
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To: Lindsey Green <lgreen@southgate.ca>
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We would like to voice our concerns with this application.

1. This business is not similar to a grain drying operation. The compost material is not originating on this farm or may not be produced on any farm as we do not know the originating source of this compost material. It has already been processed and Mr. Frey has no control as to who the end user is as he does not sell this product, so it may not be going to a farm as suggested. It comes off a truck, a small amount of oil is added and it is warehouse at his property until it is sold by someone else. There is no drying or processing, other than the oil being added, taking place. It is much more an industry or warehouse than a farm complimentary business. We question whether this requires more than a zoning amendment.

2. This is a seasonal business as it is a fertilizer and of coarse is applied in the spring and late summer or fall when the crops are planted. This will not be a truck a week as suggested. It will be much more compact time period as many more trucks will be coming and going in these busy seasons. Some of it being during half load designated times.

3. This building is much bigger than the business that is currently proposed, so he is preparing for growth. The growth of this business will require significantly more trucks bring the product in, including the oil and the product going out.

4. Mr. Frey is a very aggressive entrepreneur and this is just the beginning of this operation. If it is going to be approved, counsel needs set up a a site plan that limits what business can produce and the zoning must apply to this building only, limiting what can be done in the future.

5. Is an Industry of the Environment Permit required for this business? Odour and dust is most definitely a concern with any composting business.

6. Has Mr Frey had a noise engineer evaluated the operation?

7. How many business can be run out of this property before it is no longer a farm?

8. We are very concerned about the truck traffic that will result from this business.

We believe a traffic survey should be done before this is approved. There is a real safety concern for the pedestrian, cyclist and horse and buggy and regular traffic considering the steep hills and reduced site lines because of the elevation.

9. The condition of our roads with this kind of increase in traffic is certainly a concern as well. The road is already showing some deterioration and this will certainly add to that.

10. With the current growth of Mount Forest, it may not be long until this is residential. This would not be an appropriate business in a residential setting.

11. There are many concern citizens of Southgate that live very close to this property. We received approval to build here and pay our fair share of taxes and were here prior to this business being suggested. We feel we should have our concerns recognized and considered.

12. We ask that no decision be made during this meeting, until all of our concerns are answered.

Lloyd Watson and Cathy Watson are planning to attend the counsel meeting and would like to receive written answers to our concerns.

We would also like to receive written results of your decision.

Through this correspondence you have our email address. Our mailing address is [REDACTED].

Thank you for your consideration to our concerns.

Cathy and Lloyd Watson

Sent from my iPad