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To: Victoria Eleftheriou, Deputy Director, Bureau of Remediation and Waste Management
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in Hampden, we are still dealing with short sighted planning for the safety of our citizens concerning toxic landfill leachate and air pollution associated with what we call Sawyer's Mountain. The recent failure of Fiberright was, I think, in part, a result of lack of scrutiny on the part of local and state agencies.

Now I am concerned about what I am hearing about the proposed expansion of the Crossroads landfill in Norridgewock. I AM WRITING TO ASK THAT LICENSING DECISIONS REGARDING THIS PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE LANDFILL BE REVIEWED AND REVISED, AT THE VERY LEAST.

We know that fish in the Kennebec River are showing high levels of harmful toxins like PFAs and PFOs downriver from the current Crossroads site. No testing or treatment of leachate for toxins is required in the current licensing document. We need clear and enforceable regulations in this regard. We cannot leave this to the goodwill of a for profit industry. Ed Muskie would be rolling over in his grave if he could see the loopholes in this licensing process.

Clearly stated limits on what can go into this landfill and on what comes out are essential. Impacts on groundwater, aquifers, brooks and streams surrounding the area, etc must be clearly and boldly put forward. Rules about leaks from broken liners must require the licensee to be liable for any and all repairs, overseen by the DEP.

The information provided in the current application is inadequate to insure that the groundwater will not be polluted. I am also aware that out-of-state waste is currently coming into Maine and being "processed" for recyclable material. But then the rest of the waste gets reclassified as Maine Waste and gets dumped in Norridgewock, Old Town, and other sites. These kinds of loopholes must be eliminated. This "loophole" waste must be banned specifically from ever entering Crossroads or its expansion.

Thank you for receiving my concerns. I truly hope you will be effective in putting the brakes on this applicaton until it can be thoroughly reviewed and revised to protect the safety of our State.

Yrs truly

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