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**Subject:** Fw: Support for Amended H8400

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Dear Committee Members and House Leadership,

I strongly support the proposed version of H8400 that has had the expiration date removed. I sincerely ask that you vote this bill out of committee. Please recommend that this passes by the full chamber during this legislative session.

We do not want a sewage sludge pyrolysis plant in North Kingstown. I am very concerned and distressed about what this will bring: the accumulation of mercury—a known neurotoxin with long-lasting generational impacts—and benzene, an established class 1 carcinogen for which no safe exposure limit is known. There are over 20 other hazardous particles and emissions documented in the pyrolysis plant's minor source air permit application. These facilities do not belong in the middle of our homes and schools. Not to mention is also above North Kingstown's sole water supply! We need to protect the community's health. I respectfully request that you do not wait for commission results to tell us this is the wrong place for this type of technology.

Quonset Development Corporation (QDC) rushed through this process and in doing so, did not give us any opportunity to let our opinions known. I believed in the promise made by the state and QDC, that the industry brought here would not be harmful to our community. I used to be proud of the QDC-North Kingstown relationship that for decades has served our state so well. The QDC is critical to both our town and our state economy. Passing this bill without an expiration date makes me believe that a new pyrolysis plant under a different LLC could happen in the future. It makes me believe that QDC cares more about money than people, not a partnership. Respectfully, please help save my community, my family and my grandchildren.

Thank you for your time and service.

Sincerely,

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