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**Subject:** 📣 My FULL Support for H8400 - Protect Quonset, PROTECT OUR TOWN!

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Dear Committee Members and House Leadership,

My name is Rhonda and I am a North Kingstown resident writing to urgently request your support for H8400 and to ask that the bill be amended to eliminate the February 1, 2027 expiration date. A permanent protection should not have an expiration date.

### **What I have learned is deeply alarming.**

The proposed QSS Biosolids pyrolysis facility would be the largest sewage sludge pyrolysis plant ever attempted in the United States, sited directly above North Kingstown's sole-source drinking water aquifer and within close proximity to multiple schools.

The RIDEM air permit already approved lists emissions of up to 83 pounds of mercury and 2,005 pounds of hydrogen cyanide annually.

## **The only two operating sludge pyrolysis plants in the United States have both experienced repeated shutdowns.**

I am also deeply troubled by the scheduling of this hearing. Placing it in direct conflict with the community's own town meeting -- a date set shortly after that rally was publicly announced -- creates profoundly troubling optics for a community already reeling from the discovery that a \$150 million industrial facility was approved in a secret closed-door session in November 2024 with no public notice and no community input.

Whether intentional or not, this scheduling sends exactly the wrong message to thousands of residents who already feel betrayed by the institutions meant to protect them.

I respectfully urge you to vote H8400 out of committee with a recommendation for full passage -- **without an expiration date** -- during this legislative session. The children of North Kingstown breathe this air. Every family in this town drinks this water. Please do the right thing for all of us.

With respect,

Rhonda