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STATE OF ILLINOIS
Pollution Control Board

August 19, 2003

Dorothy Gunn, Clerk
Illinois Pollution Control Board
James R Thompson Center
100 W Randolph St.
Chicago, Illinois 60601

PC# 33

Re: Case # PCB 03-221

Dear Ms Gunn:

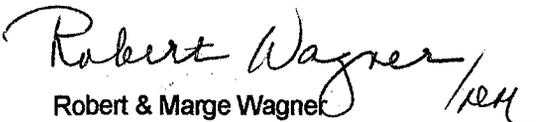
On Tuesday May 6th of this year, the McHenry county Board voted to deny the application of Marshall Lowe to site a Solid Waste Transfer Station on his property at 3412 Northwest Highway. As you know, there are 9 criteria for a waste transfer station and they are all required to be met for the application to be approved. Of the 9 criteria, Mr. Lowe's application failed on 3 of them. Criteria #2, #3 & #5 were not met. As such, the application was not approved and not Mr. Lowe is trying to have the Illinois Pollution Control Board overrule the local governing body.

We support the McHenry County Board's decision that the criteria in question were not for the following reasons.

- There would be a substantial increase in garbage truck traffic in the area which would lead to an increase in the local air pollution, noise pollution, an increase in the vermin population and a potential groundwater pollution.
- The proposed facility is adjacent to the McHenry Conservation Districts Hollows conservation area, and as such poses a pollution problem for this special area.
- The location is also within 1000 feet of one the larger residential neighborhoods in Cary, Bright Oaks.
- The location is on one of the heaviest traveled roads in the McHenry area, US RTE 14. This roadway was just rebuilt and the increase in the kind of truck traffic would cause the State of Illinois to provide additional turn lanes and future maintenance that was not planned for in the initial design.

In closing, my wife and I strongly support the McHenry County board's decision to deny the application and would request that the Illinois Pollution Control Board do the same and it's denial of the application be added to the public record along with the local government's denial.

Sincerely,


Robert & Marge Wagner

Cc: Cameron Davis, Village Administrator, Village of Cary Illinois