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RE: Case No. PCB 03-221 Lowe Transfer Inc. and Marshall
Lowe vs. County Board of McHenry County, IL.

Dear Ms. Gunn:

It has come to my attention that in the brief by the County Board of McHenry County in support of its decision to deny siting approval to Lowe Transfer Inc, that the McHenry County Defenders has been **incorrectly listed as an objector** to the application. The McHenry County Defenders actively attended the hearings, provided opening and closing statements and questioned some of the witnesses but **as a participant**, not an objector.

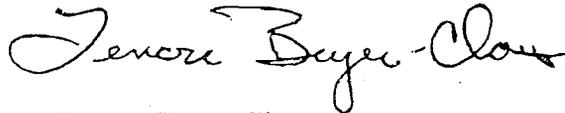
The McHenry County Defenders is the local environmental organization in McHenry County. We have over 1000 members and have been providing advocacy and education on environmental issues for 33 years. Since the 1980s we have supported a solid waste disposal policy that encourages volume reduction, recycling programs, composting and waste transfer stations to facilitate the exchange of processed and raw waste. In addition we have a waste transfer station policy which supports the development of a waste transfer station in McHenry County as long as the appropriate environmental concerns such as recycling, water quality impacts and public input have been addressed.

Throughout the testimony and in the Defenders' opening and closing statements, these issues were addressed through questions and statements. The Defenders did not draw the conclusion that the Lowe Transfer Station should be accepted or rejected. Our final statement listed a number of environmental concerns about the station.

It is important that the position of the McHenry County Defcnders is not misrepresented by either side in the decision to site the Lowc Transfer Station. We actively participated in the hearings but did not register as an objector to the siting of this waste transfer station. I believe this is clearly noted in the transcripts of the hearing on page 12 and in our closing statement.

If you need any more information or clarification please do not hesitate to contact me at 815 338-0393.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lenore Beyer-Clow". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Lenore Beyer-Clow
Executive Director