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**Subject:** [External] Opposition to CITGO Emissions Relief Petition (AS 2026-001) - Lemont resident  
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Hello, Mr. Brown,

I hope today finds you well.

I am writing as a nearby resident who is deeply concerned about the recent petition submitted by CITGO requesting regulatory relief for increased carbon monoxide emissions.

Based on publicly available FOIA documents, CITGO has already been cited for multiple violations, including 27 violations on January 14, 2026, as well as confirmed exceedances of carbon monoxide emissions during prior operational events. These are not isolated incidents—they reflect a pattern that directly impacts the health and well-being of the surrounding community.

As someone who lives near this facility, I take these violations seriously. We trust that companies operating in our area will follow environmental standards and uphold their responsibility to protect the communities they serve. This request for emissions relief feels like a step in the wrong direction—one that prioritizes operational convenience over public health and environmental accountability.

What is especially concerning is that, despite the significance of this petition, local residents were not properly notified. Publishing notice in a newspaper that does not effectively reach the impacted communities in Lemont and surrounding areas does not reflect a fair or transparent process. Our community deserves to be informed and involved in decisions that affect our air quality and long-term health.

Granting this petition would set a troubling precedent—allowing repeated violations to be excused rather than corrected. This goes against the expectations and trust that have been established between CITGO and the

community.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to deny CITGO's petition (AS 2026-001) and require the company to address and resolve these issues without increasing allowable emissions.

Thank you for your time, your consideration, and your commitment to protecting our community.

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