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Ledyard Planning and Zoning Commissioners

Respectfully, Catherine C. Hiller

Liz Burdick, Ledyard Director Land Use & Planning

Ledyard, CT.

Dear Commissioners & Ms. Burdick,

Thank you for willingly assuming the positions you hold on this commission. I appreciate what it means to assume a job that requires so much of your time and attention. It can be especially onerous when you must make decisions that may not be popular with your constituents.

I am writing to go on record as being extremely opposed to the project proposed by Cashman Inc. that happens to be in the very center of the village of Gales Ferry. It is not an appropriate use of the very heart of a residential area.

There are several reasons I oppose this endeavor but I am especially concerned with the probable unhealthy aspects of this project, namely: the spread of resulting rock dust. The problems that alone will cause for anyone with asthma, chronic bronchitis and many other breathing disorders are unthinkable. We have heard from experts that the amount of the particulate that is estimated by Cashman to be contained and not be a danger to the populace, is vastly underestimated.

My husband and I built our home here sixty-four years ago and never felt the need or desire to relocate. If I were a prospective home buyer today, I would not select Gales Ferry with such a project a possibility.