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Ledyard Planning and Zoning Commissioners
Liz Burdick, Ledyard Director Land Use and Planning
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Dear Commissioner and Ms. Burdick.

Now, for a second time, I am speaking out, absolutely enraged at having to yet again defend against this plan.

Cashman should not be allowed to go forth with this plan, because their presence imposes a risk to the general area's health and many negative effects in the long run of this 5-10 year plan. Their reputation has led me to the conclusion that they will not keep to their word in regards to adhering to regulations.

I have lived in this town, in the same house for most of my life. I have grown up in this town, and I would enjoy continuing to live in this town, and having it be the beautiful town that I know, and not a town that had been devastated by a company for quick profit.

My concerns fall under 11.3.4.C ... that the use(s) would not be noxious, offensive, or detrimental to the area by reason of odors, fumes, dust, noise, vibrations, appearance, or other similar reasons.

We all know how quickly things can travel by air, and how devastating it can be, so the idea of known carcinogens possibly being put into the air, by any degree, is worrying, even to those who are able-bodied with no current health issues. I worry that this will have too great of an impact on those who are already at a disadvantage, and will alter their lives in ways that are not repairable. I ask the committee, what is the price of the townspeople's health? Will we have to give you more money in taxes for

you to see the worth of our wellbeing, or will it only be after the town suffers that you will realize that a yes to Cashman, is a no to the townspeople, the very heart of the town.

My second biggest concern is the sound pollution. From where I live, if I sit out on my porch or have my window open, I can hear colors from the base, which is eleven miles from my house, according to Google maps. The entrance for Cahsman's property is less than three miles away. I do not want to imagine what it would sound like if Cashman was approved, or how it would disrupt the lifestyles of myself and others.

Cashman is claiming that they will be good for this town's economy, and offering job growth, but I believe that Cashman would do the exact opposite, while also robbing the townspeople that live here now, and any towns people that may live here in the future, of enjoying the town in it's beautiful current state.

I grew up watching documentaries about companies, exactly like Cashman, and how they sold themselves to towns as something beneficial, that would aid in the growth of those towns, and the town can depend on them, only for those companies to destroy the towns, and then, when the townspeople asked for aid, and for said companies to help fix what they caused, they denied any responsibility, thus causing legal battles that cost more than what the townspeople themselves could afford to keep up with. I do not want that to be the fate of my town.

I know when I am about to see a bad decision being made, and if Cashman is not rejected then it is the townspeople's health that is being sold and we are the heart of this town. I implore you to not sell our wellbeing and community due to the allure of a few extra bucks in the town's pockets.

Thank you for your time!
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