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To Whom it May Concern,

Regarding the gas station project at the former Boyle's market in Effingham, I have done my due diligence and at this point I believe the answer from this Board is clear. This project is not in our jurisdiction, and we have very limited input on it. Furthermore, Charlie Krautmann of DES has assured us of the following:

- 1) If a fueling dispenser is hit by a car and taken off its base, there is a quick disconnect valve to ensure there is no leak.
- 2) Under each dispenser there is a containment sump with an alarm
- 3) Each hose has a quick disconnect to ensure the fuel shuts off if someone drives away with the nozzle.
- 4) There is a PLB (Positive limit Barrier) system around the entire dispenser area to contain any spill.
- 5) The concrete meets the DOT specs to ensure gasoline does not penetrate and break down the concrete.
- 6) The operator of the fueling station is trained and certified by the state to ensure safe operations and proper spill response.
- 7) If there is a spill the operator is required to notify the DES 24/7 spill response team.
- 8) Mr. Krautmann indicated he knows nothing about any accusations that there are multiple State agencies involved, not communication with each other. He and his office deals with the entire project above and below grade.
- 9) We discussed the idea that spills would just trickle down into the DOT catch basin as indicated in testimony from concerned parties. Mr. Krautmann indicated that this is not true.

As you can see this gas station will meet every environmental standard set by DES. I would request and recommend that the Ossipee Board of Selectmen vote to send a letter to the Effingham Planning Board that as long as all Federal and State regulations and laws are followed, that we support this project.

Board of Selectmen Chairman,

Jonathan H. Smith