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Ms. Phyllis Johnson-Ball  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K St., NW  
Washington, DC 20423

RE: Finance Docket #34747

Dear Ms. Ball:

The recent proposal by Transrail to site a waste transfer facility in Wilmington, MA at the Olin Chemical site is an ill-conceived project that will have adverse ramifications on a densely populated residential and business area of Wilmington, MA and the adjacent community of Woburn, MA.

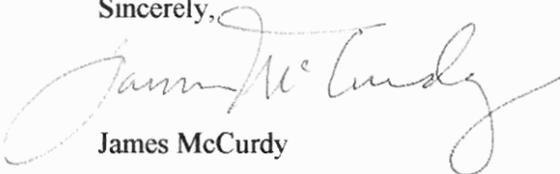
First, the site proposed is soon to be added to the EPA Superfund list. It is a contaminated waste site, needing significant remediation that has yet to be even proposed, let alone funded. Siting any new business on such a site should immediately be questioned, especially in light of the employees and staff who would be required to work on a contaminated toxic waste site.

Second, the potential impact of an estimated 400 additional heavy trucks on Route 38 and adjacent side roads is unacceptable. This narrow stretch of two lane highway is congested at all hours, and any proposal to add this many new vehicles will result in gridlock. In addition, with toxic waste being transported on commuter rails and in vehicles that run through residential areas, there is no discussion of emergency evacuation plans in the event of a spill or release of toxic substances.

With two elementary schools, a day care center and a large senior housing complex very close to the proposed site, the density of population in the area is unsuitable for an operation that will generate significant odor, noise and traffic in the immediate area.

I, and my wife Elizabeth, respectfully request that the Surface Transportation Board reject this proposal in light of the above issues. This project will severely impact our family's quality of life in the area, and is unsuitable for our densely populated region.

Sincerely,



James McCurdy

Cc: Alderman John Ciriello  
State Representative Patrick Natale  
State Senator Robert Havern  
US Congressman Edward Markey