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Senate of Pennsylvania

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Honorable Edward G. Rendell
Room 225 Main Capitol
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Governor Rendell:

It has come to my attention that certain members of your Administration have indicated that state funding is being considered for the proposed private landfill development within Centre County as proposed by Resource Recovery, LLC. It is my understanding that both State Redevelopment Assistance grants and Transportation Assistance Program funding are under consideration. The purpose of my letter is to strongly urge you to end such considerations by denying the use of any state funding for this private development.

The main point of my opposition is that this proposal was to have been financed entirely by private investment, not state dollars. I am particularly concerned that scarce transportation dollars could be used for this project while the local community is not in support of any Transportation Plan modifications to fund this venture.

Both the Centre County Commissioners and the Centre County Planning Commission have taken positions opposing this proposal. Vast numbers of Centre County residents have also spoken out in opposition to this project. It would certainly be against the will of the people to allow state funding to support any phase of this project.

Again, I would urge your Administration to close the door on any discussions you may be having with Resource Recovery, LLC regarding the possible use of state dollars for this project. I would also urge you to make a clear public statement regarding your intentions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jake Corman".

Senator Jake Corman

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cc: Mary A. Soderberg, Deputy Secretary of the Budget
Centre County Commissioners
Centre County Planning Commission
Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization
JoAnn Gillette, People Protecting Communities

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