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Here we are once again, Burrillville rural and strong. The one's from that beautiful pristine NW corner of the great little state of RI. You know, that rural section.....but do not be fooled, rural may be our way of life but we are a knowledgeable, well educated and passionate bunch. Though some of you see us as tree huggers, whiners or rougues....WE are far from that and we do not fit into that class of "NIMBY" that which we have been labled by so many.

Well let us educate those who may see us in that light.

Our litte NW corner has been the victim of the worst chemical spill in our little state ....a very horrific event for many of our Pascoag residents....rare forms of cancer, even death and syndromes that, to this day afflict some of our children.

We are also hosts to the largest power plant in RI...a power plant which was denied by D.E.M. to be placed on this very same site where Invenergy has made its very proposal. We may ask what has changed over th years that even allows their proposal at a pristene location which was denied in the past. This IS very perplexing to say the least. We are also host to Algonquin, a major fracked gas compression station.

Our sacrifice has included huge negative impacts on our health, well being, our very way of life and our precious environment.

So don't tell us.....NOT IN MY BACKYARD....This is ALL in our backyard right now. Haven't we sacrificed enough!

Please note that this proposal is not in compliance with our town's comprehensive plan in any way shape or form.

Even when Invenergy's expert adviser for land use... in the field for 20 plus years was asked had he ever been involved with or seen a proposal for a mega power plant built in the middle of a national park corridor....he looked kind of baffled and answered meekly and with some reluctance NO.

Perhaps THIS is just one more red flag. Now I know all those who are pro power plant can list the pros for this project, but our list of cons surely out weighs that list.

So it is with a heavy heart I make this plea "NO NEW POWER PLANT". Because I know the cards may be stacked against us by big money corporations, lobbysits, union people and some politicians our battle has not been and easy one.

You are the ones , 3 people, who hold our very fate in your hands....but this is our corner of RI...Please hear our plea and let us remain Burrillville rural and STRONG! Thank you

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