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Comments:

On moral grounds, can we honestly watch little children play near a methane gas refinery that belongs in an industrial area, not a residential community? Can we accept that families would live with the risk of exposure to airborne chemicals from such a refinery, such as ammonia, hydrogen sulfide, and nitrogen oxide that can cause chronic lung disease, birth defects, and put families at risk for cancer? Clearly, the answer is no. We believe it is up to all of us to stand with them. It is the right thing to do. It is the moral thing to do. We call upon the State of Delaware to value the worth of these families living at a Mobile Home Park one-half mile from the proposed methane gas refinery in Seaford. We implore state leaders to only approve industrial-zoned land, away from vulnerable families and children, for a refinery of this nature. This will protect all families in the Seaford area and provide the necessary resources to address potential fire and chemical exposure accidents should they occur. Additionally, an industrial area would more adequately and safely be able to handle the increase in truck traffic.