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Comments on Docket #2025-P-CCE-0012 -- North Fish Coastal Zone Permit

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Comments:

I reside in the neighboring community that is literally next door to this facility. It was upsetting to see on the front page of the local paper last weekend that this facility is coming and the hearing happened already. I've reviewed the documents online and see our city rep approved this back in April, who also ignorantly commented that the smell of the facility would be like a neighborhood cookout?! I think if he lived where I do, he'd not feel that way. It was interesting to see the hearing was publicized in regional/ state papers but not local?! Unless someone followed coastal zoning and DNREC specifically, we'd not be seeing this until now that it's too late! And why is the fish company already setup and at the facility if this hearing period isn't even over yet?! Is someone living there too bc a same car is always parked at the bldg front doors? It seems this had been kept hushed since April until now when it's already too late to do anything?! Its not only that the smell of fish will be in the air but the smoking process, processing the old way they are going to be doing it with natural wood, is bad for air quality and we'll be breathing this air being next door! It's very simple to see the negative impacts of this type of processing facility just doing a Google search! And their application says there's no known carcinogenic effects?!...a lie! And are we gambling that their air scrubber won't break?!...because their application says air quality and emissions get like 95% worse when that happens! Then what?! There are newer age ovens and ways to smoke fish that are safer for the environment but this company is not doing that. The carcinogens that will be put in the air from the tons of wood they're burning is not healthy! And that then falls into our water! The water drainage from the facility will be going to the retention pond right next to us! Reading their application, they state they will have no emissions and won't effect us or the neighboring historic Penn Farm?! But then they also say they'll be planting 20 trees to help with the emissions?! But I thought no emissions would be made?! They also say how many thousands of gallons of water will be used everyday but that storm water drainage won't be any more than before them?! How's that possible?! Also the drainage from they're brining tanks will cause drainage to be super salty! ... that will kill foliage and animals! They say in their application they didn't need to notify us residents or historic farm because they're not altering the outside of their warehouse and will be contained in the preexisting warehouse. But what they'll be emitting will effect us majorly! They say their fish waste will be put in garbage bags in the dumpsters at their facility and will be emptied 2 times a day by waste management?! Yeah... I somehow don't believe that! How much smell and wildlife that'll attract?! We already deal with a stray cat problem we are constantly battling, spending time and money finding solutions for, by fixing and homing them. I'm sorry but this type of facility should not be neighboring residents and farms! That's just plain negligence! Their application has conflicting information that doesn't make sense! Does everything come down to money

and the people and environment are just overlooked these days?! There are many other options for this facility that is not near residents or a historic farm and children's baseball field!! This is crazy! It seems I can only attach one thing here? I had several but again found lots of info supporting this by googling "negative impacts of fish smoking facility "...it's a known issue for communities!