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Attention: Terry Sargent

Dear Sir:

Re: Current Hearings - Sustainability of the Hog Production Industry in Manitoba

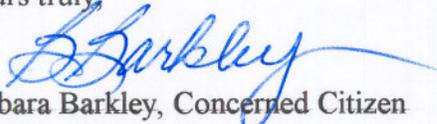
With reference to my letter of April 4 which was presented to the Hearing held in Virden on April 16, 2007 and presented by Norma Fefchak in my absence I would like to make the following comments.

The next morning while listening to the radio I heard your name mentioned regarding the hearings being held in rural Manitoba and that you were disappointed because all you were hearing were complaints and negative reports and nobody was coming up with any solutions to the problems. I don't believe it is up to me to have a solution to the problems. The hog corporations have created these problems and there are many solutions to the problems but the corporations will not or do not want to use these solutions because of the costs. Some of the solutions that have been proposed to these corporations are covers for the lagoons (of which there are many designs), bio-digesters which have been proven to work in other areas, specialty barns where the hogs run free in straw, etc.

I say again that I am not against anyone building a barn in their backyard to enhance their livelihood. I am not against anyone building a barn in our municipality if all the rules and regulations are put in place to not be offensive to the towns or surrounding farms and if these rules and regulations are adhered to and properly monitored. I was and am against 36 hog barns being built in our 14 mile x 18 mile municipality (which I will say again drains directly into the Assiniboine River) for thousands and thousands of hogs by a large Corporation in a concentrated area with no other purpose than to make a lot of money with no thought for the people living there or for the pollution it leaves behind.

Thank you for your time.

Yours truly,



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