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TOWN OF CALEDON  
CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

Re: File No. POPA 18-02; RZ 18-04; SPA 18-0058

We are writing to express our opposition to an application to the Town of Caledon by MJJJ Developments Inc. proposing an Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment that would allow the construction of an asphalt plant with associated open storage.

The proposed site for the asphalt plant at 12415 Coleraine Drive is located very close to the DB Schenker Canada facility, which is located at 12315 Coleraine Drive – in fact, only 300 metres separate the two. The Schenker facility currently acts as a distribution centre for a wide range of Mars Canada products, along with raw materials supporting the manufacturing of our chocolate, rice and pet food products. The proposed asphalt plant location is also directly across the street from a new 890,000 square foot warehouse facility planned by Mars Canada. This new facility would involve an investment of \$100 million, and following a \$77 million expansion of our food plant just last year, represents the latest investment by our company in the Bolton community.

The location of an asphalt plant so close to our current distribution centre, as well as our planned warehouse investment will have a detrimental impact on the Mars Canada business. We have a number of serious concerns about this proposal, based on our understanding of the risks involved in being located nearby an asphalt plant which include:

- Asphalt is made from bitumen, which during production releases toxic fumes such as:
  - Polyaromatic Hydrocarbons, which are carcinogenic, known to have negative respiratory, immunological and reproductive effects
  - High molecular weight phenols, which cats are particularly sensitive to due to lacking the metabolism to eliminate these compounds
  - Napthalenes, which are known to cause hemolytic anemia and liver damage, as well as have neurological effects
- Mars Canada products – in particular, chocolate – could absorb odours and flavours from emissions discharged from an asphalt plant; similarly, fumes could be absorbed by our packaging material and diffused into our products, despite product wrapping; asphalt production also creates toxic dust which contains heavy metals, which poses a risk to handling wrapped products.
- Our products may also absorb airborne chemicals emanating from the facility. This is of particular concern, as such chemicals could impact the health of our consumers: the International Agency for Research on Cancer has issued a statement classifying occupational exposures to straight-run asphalt cement and related emissions during road paving as possibly carcinogenic to humans.

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Given these significant concerns, Mars Canada opposes the application by MJJJ Developments to locate an asphalt plant at 12415 Coleraine Drive. We will be participating in the public meeting referenced in the notice of application regarding the proposed plant, in order to further voice our concerns. We also intend to meet with a number of stakeholders and decision makers with the Town of Caledon.

Through this letter, we are also asking that the Clerk of the Town of Caledon keep Mars Canada informed about the proposed asphalt plant.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "P. Shepherd", is written over a horizontal line.

Paul Shepherd  
Vice President, Supply Chain  
Mars Canada

cc: Mayor Allan Thompson  
Councilor Annette Groves  
Ben Roberts, Manager Business Development, Tourism & Culture, Town of Caledon  
Clerk of the Town of Caledon ✓

cc : Leslie Brams-Baker  
Mars Canada

