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Dear Town of Newburgh ZBA;

I wanted to comment on some statements made at the last ZBA meeting of April 26, 2018 by WCC Tank. I was amazed at how far from the truth the applicant provided testimony relating to the expansion of the Tank Lining Business. I work in the electrical contracting trades and I have firsthand knowledge of these large hydrovac trucks. My years of experience clearly tell me that the business of Hydrovac-Excavating is nothing like the original business of Tank Lining. The predominant use of hydrovac trucks is NOT in take lining. The attorney and business owner did state they were bringing in these trucks in order to help WCC Tank become financially viable. This is clearly a separate business of excavating being added to tank lining that was NOT part of the 1982 Use Variance approved by the ZBA. In addition, the applicant has made many statements in the past, for example he stated he was going to plant grass in the filled in rear area of the business in his February 2017 testimony before this board. At this most recent meeting he said things changed and now he is going to park trucks. He stated he was going to clean up the property but instead illegal shipping containers and apparently a building with no certificate of occupancy exists. The applicant has a credibility problem as his story changes to fit a narrative to sell to this board his plight and need for more relief. The many neighbors that came to the meeting and provided written comments seem to be the ones that need relief from this business. I have significant concerns with this business because they seem to have a past practice of not obeying decisions and do whatever they please on their property. I hope this board can see through the history of this business. To allow this business to expand further would be a travesty on this neighborhood. It truly would open the door for this applicant to do whatever he wants, perhaps expand further in 2-3 years and add well drilling or whatever else he can say is "excavating". Why do I

believe that to be the case? He did say at the meeting that he reserves the right if approved to bring more equipment onto the property if he rents bull dozers or anything similar. This is why I have concerns because it never seems to end. Well it can end and this ZBA is within its right to say no you do not meet the standards for a Use Variance. I truly hope this ZBA understands the concerns and outcry from the public. The original owner use to live on the property and that no longer is the case. I really believe that the concerns and case presented by the residents for disapproval far outweighs the benefit achieved by the applicant for approval. The expansion and second business attempting to be merged is better housed in a more appropriate zone.

Sincerely yours,

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