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For Tax Map#09-040-017 Austin Chaney Road

We are opposed to the petition to rezone the above parcel.

Section 80.120A-The land does not meet the variance requirements that it is difficult to put to reasonable use because of special characteristics of the property. The property can be farmed, build houses on it ,or sell it, or plant and harvest trees.

Section 80.110H The proposed variance to zoning can materially endanger public health and safety. Landfill reclamation can release methane gas from decomposing waste,dust,pollute air from burning debris , can cause fire and burn other properties,makes breathing difficult, will increase traffic on Austin Chaney Road and on the gravel easement access, increase noise from all the trucks. Landfills can contaminate the water supply- Meadow Branch runs through back of property and some wetlands on south lower end. Our property is south of it , Tax Map#09-040-016, has 14 acres in a flood plain and protected wetlands. We were asked to donate our wetlands to the N C wetland program. Caroll Rushing's property has large body of water on it and wetlands. It will be harmful to wild life ducks and geese. Underground polluted water can contaminate the crops grown on our land and others. So residential properties close to landfills pose a serious threat to residents health and enjoyment of their property. It will depreciate our property values. When the land becomes elevated from all the dumping of waste ,our property could have flooding from lack of land to absorb rain. Who is going to monitor what is being put in the landfill?

4.) The proposed development will not be in harmony with the farming and houses built on the surrounding properties. The land fill across the Austin Chaney Road already has impacted our property and beauty of the land, water supply, noise. Why do we have to have another one on the opposite side of street when that one takes trees, stumps, etc.

Mr Benjamin Russell has already violated the rules . How do we know he will protect our safety?

Landfills depreciate property values,,create poor water quality, methane gas build up, ruin wetlands,and contaminate the air we breathe.

I think any kind of landfill should only be in areas zoned commercial or industrial not residential and especially not agriculture.It will destroy the beauty of the land the Presley family has owned for 200 years. Our family has owned our parcel since 1982.We have paid taxes on it for over 42 years. A lot of money to union county. Mr Russell has only owned his parcel for 3 years, and his petition if approved will destroy the land, harm the citizens in adjacent property, harm animals, water supply and quality of air. Please deny his petition. Thanks for your consideration of our concerns. Please do not burden us with another land fill close to our property. Mr Russell has several better options for his property. Signed by Kathy Belt, Greenville S C, Janice Presley, Greenville, S C and Stephen Presley Peru Indiana