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Dear Sir,

I write on behalf of several of my constituents in Cwmfelinfach and the surrounding area who are opposed to a waste recycling plant in Nine Mile Point Industrial Estate, Cwmfelinfach, which has been granted planning permission reference 15/0601/FULL.

I recently met with the constituents in my office and they raised specific concerns about the level of harmful emissions that will be produced by the plant. They believe that emissions will be trapped in the valley as a result of thermal inversion rather than being released into the atmosphere. They worry this will lead to potentially harmful levels of pollutants building up in the valley negatively affecting residents' health.

The plant, once operational, would also lead to a large number of HGVs and articulated vehicles travelling through the valley. Aside from the obvious safety concerns, particularly through Wattsville, my constituents are worried that the vehicles will create further pollution in their own right which will also be trapped.

I would be very grateful if you would be able to consider the points raised by my constituents, investigate the effects this planned waste recycling plant will have on air quality in the local area, and let me have your comments.

I would also be very grateful if you could commit to meeting with me and my constituents to discuss this issue, either on site, or in my constituency office in Pontllanfraith.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Evans MP