From:
Northampton Gateway

Subject: Northampton Gateway Rail Freight Interchange Project - Non-Material Change TR0500006

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Dear Sir / Madam

Once again I am writing to express my deep concern and strong objection to the proposed amendment request from SEGRO to the Original DCO which was initially granted in Oct 2019 for the Northampton Gateway!!!!! Now they want to change things!!

It would appear that this requested amendment is in breach of the original application, which I believe was granted on condition that " a rail terminal capable of handling at least 4 intermodial trains daily was constructed and operational PRIOR to any occupation of warehousing. It was also SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED that any commercial activity was carried out until this rail was operational. It seems to me that the manner in which the consent was sought originally was a bit of a red herring and that once consent was granted then the goal posts would start to be moved. The potential increase in traffic and noise pollution will be significant within Blisworth and all surrounding villages causing a greater risk to schoolchildren, elderly residents, indeed all residents going about their normal daily routine.

Our pavements within Blisworth are quite narrow and lorries coming through the village often have to mount the pavements in order to travel through, an accident waiting to happen!! There has already been an significant increase in traffic. which is more prominent whenever there are problems on the M1 Motorway, as Blisworth becomes a rat run, causing chaos to the local roads which were never meant for the size and amount of vehicles.

I was under the impression that this development was in order to REDUCE vehicles from the road and the rail was to be used for transportation of goods, thereby releiving some of the road traffic. How can that be so!!!. I am also concerned that this amendment will open the flood gates for others to follow suit.

Blisworth village spent years campaigning for the A43 Bypass, this development makes all of that a total waste of time, effort and more importantly Government funds.

The county of Northamptonshire was once described as the county of Squires and Spires, sadly that is no longer the case as we are now a county of WAREHOUSING. The countryside is being savaged throughout England, we need to make a stand to protect what little greenery we have left !!!

This developement will not provide jobs to the area, will not offer any benefits whatsoever

to the local villages and communities, there is absolutely NOTHING in it for us. It will cause more probelms to health, safety and general well being for all residents, old and young. I strongly object to all aspects of this development and put my trust in those in power to see sense and desire to protect our homes and peoples general wellbeing. These large companies have no moral obligation to anyone, this will not improve anyones life just the opposite. I hope you will support our objection and fight for the cause.

Yours sincereley	
Mrs Olwyn Oliver	