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To: Appeals, Board of <appeals@sudbury.ma.us>
Subject: Traffic Safety Concerns related to Sudbury Station

Dear Sudbury Zoning Board of Appeals,

I am a Sudbury resident residing on Concord Road just north of town center, and I am writing to express my concerns around the potential traffic situation if the Sudbury Station development is approved and built. The current traffic situation on our stretch of Concord Road is untenable; the back-ups from Town Center go all the way to the front of our house in the morning and the evening during the school year. During these back-ups, pulling out of our driveway to make a left-hand turn is essentially a test of faith – faith that the cars going south stop and leave a gap to let me or my wife to inch out, and faith that the cars going north won't be going so fast that they can't avoid plowing into us because we can't see them approaching as we pull out. And aside from our personal safety, we see school buses filled with kids sitting motionless in traffic in front of our house all the time. Is this acceptable to them and their families?

I can't even imagine how much worse this traffic will be with people trying to pull into and out of the proposed Peter's Way to get to and from Sudbury Station. The congestion – and danger – will only increase.

I will let others get into the details about what a nightmare the proposed intersection of Rt. 27, Peakham Rd., and the 'main' entrance to Sudbury Station will be. This is already a dangerous intersection, even before adding an additional road that will contribute more cars, more confusion, and more trucks and heavy equipment. We'll have the traffic of a big city, with none of the amenities!

I know traffic studies were part of the Sudbury Station application, but anyone can see that adding several hundred cars and two additional roads to this already bad traffic situation is going to be courting disaster. I urge the town to do all it can to prevent this situation from getting worse; ideally by not approving Sudbury Station, or minimally by reducing the size of Sudbury Station and pursuing additional traffic remediation solutions that will prevent the center of our town from devolving into a congested, dangerous mess. Thanks for your consideration,

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