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Good morning,
I feel compelled to add my voice to the many residents whose lives have been adversely affected by the Taro dump.
I just moved to Stoney Creek 18 months ago, and was unaware that the area is being poisoned with government approval.
Like many others, the chemical stench literally chokes me to the point that breathing is very difficult.
Also, every night the smell emanates from our plumbing drains (sinks and tubs) right at 10:30pm, so the odour is being brought into our homes as well as outside.
This means there is no escape from the situation.
Any industry that produces chemicals that affect the breathing of surrounding residents should be shut down, in my opinion.
Further, when I call the 1-800 number to lodge a complaint I get told that 'oh, it is the manure from the neighboring farms', or some such nonsense.
We all know what manure smells like and this odour produced by the Taro dump is like nothing I have ever smelled in my life.
Many times, I get hit with waves of nausea and want to throw up when the odour is encountered.
For the residents adjacent to the dump the odour is there 24/7, despite what GFL's claim that it only happens 'now and then'.
The fact that GFL seems to do whatever they want without government intervention is incomprehensible to me.
GFL's position on the towering (illegal) mounds we see is that this material will be going be dealt with 'mid-2025'.
Yet, there is no building permit issued, so again, complete disinformation is being distributed while the residents continue to suffer.
Outdoor entertaining, or even something as simple as going for a walk, is not possible when the odour is present.
I have had family come in from out of town and frankly, it is embarrassing when they ask 'what is that SMELL??'
I am ashamed and embarrassed that I live in Stoney Creek.
That sums it up in a nutshell.
I hope government can see it's way clear to use every means at local, provincial and even federal levels to shut down this facility.
Please help!

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