

Dear Mr Peterson:

The following are my comments that I would like posted for the EAW being conducted for the West River Dairy expansion in Stevens County.

I am not an environmentalist nor do I understand the entire process. I am not an owner/shareholder of Riverview. I just wanted to expound on the people and the organization behind Riverview Dairy LLP. I desire that the public knows and understands the integrity of the people behind this project. I feel there are several misconceptions about who Riverview is and what they stand for.

I have now known four generations of the founding family of Riverview. I lived in the Morris area from 1986 to 1998. This family was one of my customers in the business that I worked for. I spent many hours working in and around their farms south of Morris.

I have never worked for nicer people. I know they would never invest in something that could be of harm to their adjoining neighbors. They consider their neighbors their partners. Their desire is to add value to their surrounding communities. I appreciate all the kids that have been added to our schools because of the new employment at Riverview.

I want to share what their Core Values are that are posted in all their work places:

Strong Work Ethic	Proverbs 6:6-8
Integrity	Luke 12:2
Keep it Simple	Matthew 22:37-40
Candor	1 Thessalonians 5:14
Spirit of Humility	James 4:6

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The consolidation and growth of any business is an issue today in all areas of our country's commerce. It doesn't matter what industry your involved with, consolidation is what it takes to survive and be competitive. Sadly the days of small family farms with a hundred dairy cows are over.

I would encourage anyone to visit any of the Riverview milking facilities. You will notice there is no smell and you cannot find a cleaner operation. These guys know how to manage their facilities!

I appreciate and respect the process to get these permits and I thank you for the opportunity to comment here.

Sincerely,

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