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I am writing to request the denial of the proposed trash transfer station at 5520 S Broadway by BTS and Universal Waste Systems. There are many reasons, directly related to the public good, to halt this project.

Limited egress. As you know, there are only 2 main north-south roads South of Rio Bravo between I-25 and the river, Broadway. Of these, Broadway is the only street with outlets north to Rio Bravo and South to I-25. Second Street connects to Rio Bravo but dead-ends at the freeway to the south. There are two small, lateral roads that connect 2nd Street to Broadway, Prosperity, which is slightly north of the proposed trash transfer site, and Desert Road, south of the proposed trash depot. Prosperity is in disrepair and has been the major route from Mountain View heading north for several months.

Truck traffic. Can Broadway, much less Mountain View, significantly increase truck traffic and be safe? The trash transfer station proposes to bring trash from 4 counties, carried by almost 500 large and small trucks per day on Broadway. Depending on whether this is a 12 or 8-hour window, this is an increase of 40-60 trucks PER HOUR. Increased traffic accidents, fumes, and dust are among the potential risks. Increased misting within the transfer depot will use water the area can't spare and won't reduce truck fumes and dust from the increased traffic on Broadway. In addition, there is danger of explosions, fires, increased dust and odors, and toxic fumes (not mitigated by misting) in a community that deserves more, not fewer, protections and resources.

The Community Impact Assessment (CIA) in the BTS permit request says only that an announcement was placed in the ABQ Journal in both English and Spanish – but nothing about actual outreach to the community, which is predominantly Hispanic, has many farms, including organic farms, multigenerational homes, and children. I keep finding people who know nothing about it. There is nothing in the CIA related to steps taken to ensure the safeguarding of people, animals, plants and the larger ecosystem or the children at Mountain View Elementary (1.5 miles west) or the residents of Mountain View, estimated at 4000 people.

The transfer station increases potential dangers to the community. There are two ongoing and recent examples of the neighborhood's vulnerability. For months, because work is being done south of Rio Bravo on 2nd Street, northbound traffic has been detoured to a very small road in poor repair (Prosperity) that connects to Broadway. Increasing traffic will only make the area more, not less, dangerous. The intersection of Prosperity and Broadway is very close to the proposed transfer station.

Secondly, a recycling center on Broadway had a fire recently (5/23/2026), leading to the closure of Broadway north and south. That alone, had the fire been larger or the evening windier, could have jeopardized the safety of everyone living on or near 2nd Street, who might have had only a single route to evacuate.

The Mountain View community is a vibrant and viable community. If you know 2nd street, you know there are thousands of people/families/farms, etc., for whom 2nd street is a lifeline to the rest of Albuquerque. In the Mountain View area are community gardens, organic farms, Valle del Oro Nature Center, Mountain View Elementary, and established and developing neighborhoods. This

was not reflected in the Community Impact Assessment (CIA).

The South Valley and its adjoining communities are dedicated to investing in a beautiful and environmentally sustainable community. We visit our friends and relatives, go to great restaurants and events, learn about schools, and meet with civic leaders and representatives. If you don't have friends or family here, you probably don't know what a rich area it is in terms of culture, tradition, and more. The South Valley is a tremendous asset to Albuquerque. If maintaining and growing our cultures, traditions, communities, ecosystems, and supporting a vibrant future for the whole city is important, the permit needs to be denied, and alternative solutions proposed that would be better for the business owners and the Mountain View Community.