

Good Evening!

My Name is Ed Murphy. My wife and I live exactly 2 miles, due East, of the proposed site of the new hog operation. I should be concerned about many things.

What effect will this proposed operation have on my underground water supply?

How will the increased traffic in the area, as hogs are trucked in and out of the facility, as well as the feed and supplies that will need to be delivered to the area, affect me?

AND, what about the smell?

Will I ever be able to entertain my friends and family around my pool and on my patio.....again?

Will my property values decline or will I find it necessary to relocate my farm, that has been owned by my family for 70 years?

There are probably other things that I should be worried about.....after all.....i live just 2 miles east!

But I am not really worried about any of this. I have known the Dunkirk family my whole life. This is not Derek Dunkirk's first venture into the hog business. I know that he would be the third generation of successful pork producers. He knows and understands the system. It's not like Derek went out and bought this ground, with a hog operation in mind. The Dunkirk's have owned this ground for over 20 years. It's not the only ground that they own. They could have chosen an area

that would have impacted even more families. I'm sure they chose this site carefully. It is only ¼ mile, on township roads, to an 80,000 pound road.

I believe they will be good and faithful stewards of the land. The animals will eat the corn and soybeans that are a vital part of this area's economy. The facility will produce animals that we will enjoy on our dinner tables. These hogs will need to be processed, opening the possibility that more meat processing plants will be built. I find it comforting to know how and where my meat is raised.

We are constantly looking for new employment opportunities. The operation will have the potential to improve the job situation in our area.....not to mention, raising the tax revenue of both the township and the county.

Finally, I feel confident that the Dunkirk's will employ the latest and the greatest technology and modern hog operation practices. If there is an additive for the feed, they will use it. If a deeper pit will cut down on the odors coming from it, I am confident they will dig it!

This is a good family. They have always been good neighbors. Why should they change now?