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To: Cambridge City Clerk

From: Mayor Henrietta Davis PCP

Please place the attached letter received from U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren to Mayor Henrietta Davis on the Communications and Reports from City Officers.

Thank you.



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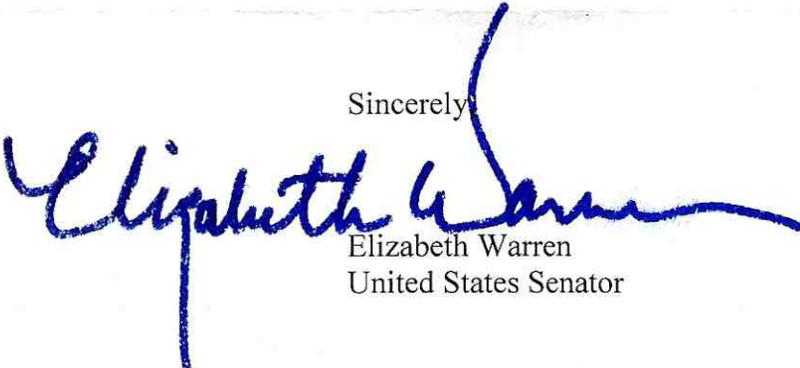
Dear Mayor Davis,

Thank you for contacting with your concerns regarding Global Partners' proposal to transport ethanol through several Massachusetts communities via rail. I strongly agree with you that we need to mitigate the security and safety risks associated with these proposed shipments through such densely populated areas.

It is my understanding that currently neither federal nor state law prohibits ethanol from being transported through any community. Nonetheless, I am very concerned about the security and safety measures associated with these proposed shipments. Prevention is the first step of disaster mitigation and I stand ready to work with you and the Commonwealth to ensure that the route and time of shipments are chosen in a manner that maximizes safety and also minimizes the potential consequences of a potential attack or incident. I believe that it is critical to provide local public safety officials and first responders received a with advance knowledge of each shipment so they are prepared to respond if necessary. Additionally, I stand ready to work with the city to ensure that the community receives any available resources to assist it in its preparedness and response efforts.

Thank you again for reaching out to me with your concerns. Please keep my office informed of the Council's actions and of anyway that I can be of assistance. I look forward to continuing to work with you.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Warren
United States Senator