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Dba Eagle's Nest Storage  
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Kelseyville, CA 95451  
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County of Lake  
Board of Supervisors  
Courthouse- 255 N. Forbes St.  
Lakeport, CA 95453

Re: appeal of use permit for small-scale bioenergy production facility located at 7130 Red Hills Rd.,  
Kelseyville APN 009-021-07

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I work for and own part of Key Lease Corporation dba Eagle's Nest Storage which owns Eagle's Nest Storage located at 8009 Highway 29, Kelseyville, CA. This property/business is located adjacent to the above property currently operating as a bioenergy production facility. The company, the staff and I vehemently oppose this company's continued operations as a small-scale bioenergy production facility. The reasons we strongly demand a termination of the Use Permit are that the bioenergy production facility operations are causing severe problems with our property/business consisting: of 1) noise pollution, 2) air pollution, 3) dust/debris coming inside and outside our storage units, 4) our employees breathing, ingesting the dust/debris along with burning eyes, and 5) of a loss of value to our business/property.

#### Noise & Air Pollution

As the production facility chips/mulches all sorts of wood products the noise can be very loud with banging noises for long periods of time, including sometimes all day and seven days a week. Eagle's Nest property is downwind from the bioenergy property and our staff has recently observed huge amounts of dust and debris floating over to Eagles Nest. Not only are the employees and tenants exposed to this dust/debris but the dust/debris is adhering to the exterior/interior of the storage units. See attached pictures. This is not only an environmental effect of the proposed project (as it seeks to continue to use the wood chipper), but it will also result in a governmental agency knowingly permitting a trespass onto my company's property. See attached pictures.

#### Health and Safety

The Eagle's Nest employees have consistently complained about the dust and debris emanating from the property, which will continue and grow worse upon the approval of the Project. According to my employees, the dust and debris "had a similar effect of fiberglass on our skin and eyes causing burning. We have suffered from fevers, headaches, burning of eyes, issues with mouth and airways resulting in swelling and bumps of the tongue and mouth area. Left with the feeling of debris on throat that causes coughing, choking, coughing up phlegm and general irritation of lungs." There is nothing in the County's

documents that states these issues must be resolved prior to the permittee operating, which must be rectified.

Contact with Air Quality Control, PG&E and Bioenergy Production Business

Although we don't know who owns and runs the bioenergy production business, our manager met with the company chipping/mulching wood on their property in February 2020 to explain the above problems. The company's representative indicated "I knew we were going to have problems" and that he would take care of the problems. This never happened. Our staff filed a complaint with Air Quality Management and with PGE as the bioenergy business was chipping/mulching up PGE poles. Nothing has happened from these complaints. As such, unless the County adopts robust mitigation measures preventing these known nuisances, the project will continue to have an environmental impact on my property, its employees, and nearby residents.

In summary, what is the point in destroying and hurting Eagles Nest and its employees and replacing it with a bioenergy production business that is causing noise pollution, air pollution, physical problems to buildings and health/safety problems to employees? The County should deny this Use Permit.

Sincerely,  
Key Lease Corporation dba Eagle's Nest Storage

  
Matthew F. Walter (Aug 16, 2020 13:54 PDT)

By: Matthew F. Walter, CFO

See summary of pictures below.

Picture 1 – bioenergy production facility operations



Picture 2 – Dust & debris from bioenergy production facility carried over by wind to Eagles Nest pavement and storage units





Picture 3 - More wind carried dust & debris from bioenergy production Facility to Eagles Nest pavement/property.



Picture 4 –more wind carried dust & debris from bioenergy  
Production facility to Eagles Nest pavement/property





Picture 5 – More wind driven dust/debris from bioenergy production facility to Eagles Nest property/pavement

