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The Pine Barrens Commission was created in 1993 to protect and preserve the Pine Barrens ecosystem not to promote development that fails to meet the standards, guidelines and requirements of the Pine Barrens Act and :ad Use Plan.

It is clear that the Lewis Road PRD fails to meet these requirements, so the Commission is required to disapprove of the project. Yet, it does not. The Commission is charged with interaction with the public, on Pine Barrens matters, yet Commission staff has declined to meet with environmentalists and civic leaders committed to the protection of the Pine Barrens. Moreover, input on our part has been blocked or strictly limited. We as the Commission Chairwoman to organize immediately a discussion on future management of the Commission and the immediate removal of John Pavacic as Executive Director for failure to protect the resource.

Sincerely,
Richard Amper
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