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To: Address the Council as a whole on Title VI Civil Rights Act of 1964  
FROM: Kamita Gray– President of Brandywine | TB Southern Region Neighborhood Coalition  
Executive Community Citizen’s Board (ECCB)

Great Morning, Honorable Council members and Chairs:

As the President, of the BTB Coalition we are elated to have the first ever-monumental informal resolution agreement to our Title VI complaint for which Prince George’s County was the subject matter.

I will briefly address a few points from complete statements;

- One sat before this council stating in sincere ignorance a Title VI is null alluding to a Title VI complaint as having any forbearance in providing relief of a permit was an unapprised observation. News flash, the “EPA PERMITS POIZONS”, permitted does not equate to HEALTHY.
- Brandywine since 2017 has been in a bona fide regulatory Air Quality Monitoring Community Citizen Science program TEX with Dr. Akua Asa-Awuku, (engineering scientist) University of Maryland Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering.
- As a Commissioner of the Prince George’s County Ej Commission it is a matter of fact that at no time did Mr. Cunningham, chair any meetings that community commission members were party too and the reason for many inaccurate statements.
- Furthermore, we were not aware until the Ej Commission Briefing before this Council March 19, 2019 that a report existed or had been transmitted to state on February 22, 2019. Additionally, community commission members had no input as a “Commission” of the whole period; rather backdoored by executive agencies in their lack of transparency loath that we as authentic community advocates named party to such an inexpert report being subject matter experts secondly a Title VI is not a case study.
- Statements by this body unfairly targets the blame onto the State of Maryland agencies especially the PSC as if this body had no authority when this very body did nothing from 2011 to 2015 with the many sambos touted the dirtiest electric generation systems as economic development “jobs”. M-NCPCC provided the mandatory referral this body having all authority was remiss in that “no” recommendations were provided by this counties governing units, so no consideration was given as to the discriminatory disproportioned impacts when deciding this case that would have given considerable weight to the results”. “Severely” translation “we’re going to sacrifice people by killing them for a greater public benefit.”

If you detect a bit of disdain in my voice you’re absolutely right. No messenger is as important as the message! I’ve always been told have the guts to knife someone in the front. Nothing in all the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity, than ignorance and intolerance armed with power that acts to maintain its power structure within the institution over and above public health and safety. Especially with Panda Mattawoman requesting a TIF that is to be of a public benefit.

We implore this legislative body to take seriously the life-threatening burdens placed on our black minority communities as a result of systemic systems of this county institutional body that has made no effort in mitigating these severe negative health risks.

We wrote to members of this council on February 1, 2019 to discuss the informal Title VI resolution settled according to the regs of Department of Justice to authentically brief members of this council our request have not been acknowledged. Our complete statement and package will be forthcoming on the subject matters as aforementioned above.

Respectfully yours,

BTB Coalition In solidarity, Kamita Gray, President  
In solidarity with the Executive Community Citizen’s Board (ECCB)
COMPLETE STATEMENT:
Great Morning, Honorable Council members and Chairs... thank you for this time.

The Brandywine| TB Southern Region Neighborhood Coalition (BTB Coalition)

None of our statements are meant to be off-putting. Rather to be taken seriously as a wake-up calls in addressing environmental hazards!

Brandywine, MD in Prince George’s County

Environmental justice is focused on ameliorating potentially life-threatening conditions or on improving the overall quality of life. That collective, and collaboratively with affected communities and it’s authentic community-based leaders not with the big-greens NGO’s being the parachuters of the industrial complex, not the agendas of the white privilege “environmentalisms”, not the “sambo”, officials, and organizations such as civil and trade groups, the NAACP, churches that pimp communities pain.

BTB Coalition and myself having standing the organization filed the Title VI Complaint against the State of Maryland for which Prince George’s County is the "subject matter", being this legislative body provided the mandatory referral having all authority was remiss in that “no” recommendations were provided by this counties governing units, so no consideration was given as to the discriminatory disproportioned impacts when deciding this case. The PSC finds that several of the issues raised needed to be analyzed, even though they where not solely determinative of the final outcome would have given considerable weight to the results”.

Brandywine since 2017 has been in a bona fide regulatory Air Quality Monitoring Community Citizen Science program TEX and Dr. Akua Ase-Awuku, (engineering scientist) Associate Professor University of Maryland, College Park, Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering. So, you ask yes we know just what’s environmental hazards are in the air!

The institutions of this county are to protect public health in sustainable development has devastated what was rolling hills of rural lands. Community gentrification most residents have no idea of the multitude of environmental hazards the disproportionate health risks and toxic pollutants behind the trees that's killing us such as nox, methane, lead, mercury and carbon monoxide that exceeds the legal permitted limits not to mention the noise stressors. Yet, this county remodels its air quality index and puts on a facade of air monitors for everyone is furtherance of absurdity.

Statements by this body unfairly targets the blame onto the Maryland state agencies and specially the PSC as if this body had no authority when it is this very body that did nothing from 2011 to 2015 and the many sambos touting the dirtiest electric generation systems as economic development “jobs”. While the CPNC approval states “it is “unfortunate for Brandywine being legally suitable though the negative impacts of the plant fall most “severely” upon Brandywine for the greater good of a larger geographic area”, translation “we’re going to sacrifice people killing you for a greater public benefit.”

Prince George’ County Environmental Justice Commission

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On our second note we/I testified against the Commission for the very reasons that are documented in our statement of facts that well documents the Ej Commission assembly, to clarify for the record here it was not until or about January 29, 2019 that Dr. Sacoby and myself became aware Mr. Gary Cunningham was the Commissions Chair. It is a matter of fact that at no time did Mr. Cunningham, chair any meetings that community commission members were party too.

Furthermore, we were not aware until the Ej Commission Briefing before this Council March 19, 2019 that a report existed or had been transmitted to state on February 22, 2019. Additionally, community commission members had no input as a “Commission” of the whole period, rather backdoored by executive agencies in their lack of transparency.

Additionally, any Ej advocate knows the six months will be adequate time when we agreed at the December 11, 2018 meeting that the composition of the commission needed to change and need to be a semi-permanent commission for at least 2 years and was not consulted or advised of the new bill.

We asked to brief the council with out Tex Team, Dr. Sacoby and the BTB as a hold in addition we had asked to begin working groups (see provided 2BridgeCDX document).
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While we wrote to members of this council on February 1, 2019 to discuss Title VI resolution settled according to the regs of DOJ to brief members of this council our request it as not been formally acknowledged. Along with our Brandywine Citizen Scientist Disproportionate Risks Tour and the Community TEX Citizen’s Science Forum, which DoE participation was missing haven been solicited.

We understand the negative cogitation of environmental justice community but nothings worst than an alcoholic not admitting a problem, can’t fix what one will not admit.

Community Major Focus

The BTB Coalition has worked to create capital investments that provide very positive benefits for Brandywine. Providing environmental security to Brandywine and residents of Prince George’s County helping meet social, residential, educational and economic needs for generations to come. Where residents are actively engaged in the monitoring and mitigation of their neighborhoods for which they live would bring many beneficial opportunities.

We implore this legislative body to take seriously the life-threatening burdens placed on our black minority communities as a result of systemic systems of this county institutional body. Our effort cannot and will not go away in the protection of our community’s inequities, health and wellness. Whereas environmental justice is focused on the disproportionate impacts of environmental hazards on communities of color, environmental inequality is focused on ameliorating potentially life-threatening health conditions or on improving the overall quality of life.

Respectfully yours,

BTB Coalition in solidarity, Kamita Gray, President
Brandywine/TB Southern Region Neighborhood Coalition (Executive Community Citizen’s Board (ECCB))

Documents
Title VI Requirements and Guidelines
https://thrivingearthexchange.org/brandYWine-tex-project-launched/

Discussion and Findings of the Public Service Commission
Highlighted areas. This 3rd power could have been alleviated if the County had provided any documentation.

Resources
https://sweduc.wordpress.com/2014/03/31/the-poverty-pimps-poem/

Are you or your nonprofit or foundation being an askhole?
https://nonprofitwithballs.com/2015/01/are-you-or-your-org-guilty-of-trickle-down-community-engagement/
https://nonprofitwithballs.com/2015/01/