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Dear Executive Director and Members of the Suffolk County IDA:

I have previously written you, as the representative of the legislative district that is home to several projects being built by Hartz Mountain Industries, regarding dissatisfaction about how this company utilized IDA-approved tax benefits without standing by their commitments to our local contractors and workers.

It has now come to my attention that Hartz Mountain Industries will be before you at the April 28 IDA meeting, this time for an initial discussion and preliminary inducement for the new project they are proposing on Spagnoli Road in Melville. I must reiterate my concerns that this company, while seeking IDA tax benefits, may yet again use non-local contractors and workers, contrary to what is stipulated in the Long Island First Policy.

I urge you to demand full, transparent and comprehensive answers to questions regarding their promises to our local workers and labor force. Should you decide to go forward, please ensure they are truly committed to staying within the boundaries and spirit of the strengthened Long Island First Policy. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Tom Donnelly
Suffolk County Legislator
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