

To: BargeCanalProposal@PortCanaveral.com
Subject: Opposition to Proposed LNG Facility at the Barge Canal

Dear Port Canaveral Team,

My name is <YOUR NAME>, and I live at <YOUR ADDRESS> approximately three miles from the proposed LNG facility site on Merritt Island. I am writing to express my strong opposition to this project due to the well-documented safety, environmental, and community impacts highlighted during recent public meetings and in local reporting.

Safety Concerns:

Residents and officials have warned that nearby neighborhoods could fall within a potential hazard or “blast zone” in the event of an LNG incident, given the facility’s proximity to homes. Florida House Majority Leader Tyler Sirois has also stressed that the proposed site is far too close to residential areas to be considered safe or appropriate. Even at a three-mile distance, an industrial accident could significantly affect evacuation routes and public safety across Merritt Island.

Environmental & Waterway Impacts:

The proposed location sits beside an environmentally sensitive section of the Barge Canal that connects directly to the Indian River Lagoon. Local officials have already voiced concerns about the ecological risks of siting an LNG operation in such a delicate area. Additionally, residents have raised credible worries that LNG tanker movements or emergency protocols could restrict navigation and access to Port Canaveral.

Community Concerns & Transparency:

Public meetings have shown significant and emotional opposition from residents who fear for their safety and quality of life. A growing public petition is requesting that the Port delay any commitments until a full and transparent public review is completed — illustrating widespread discomfort with the current process.

Request:

For these reasons, I respectfully urge Port Canaveral to reject any sale, lease, or approval related to the LNG project at the Barge Canal. This residential and environmentally sensitive area is simply not a suitable location for industrial LNG operations.

Thank you for reviewing community input and for considering the well-being and safety of Merritt Island residents. I welcome a written response regarding next steps and the Commission’s position.

Sincerely,
<YOUR NAME>
<YOUR ADDRESS>