

BY HAND

February 6, 2008

Mr. John McLachlan, President
Eight Streets Neighborhood Association
Boston, Massachusetts

RE: 10 Bond Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02118

Dear Eight Streets Neighborhood Association:


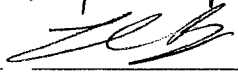


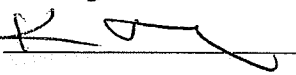
We, the undersigned, are writing to oppose the granting of a waiver by the Board of Appeal to 10 Bond Street from compliance with the Groundwater Ordinance (Article 32).

In June of 2007, we learned that a home heating fuel tank was buried in the yard of 10 Bond Street. The tank had been there for 35 years or more and was badly deteriorated, leaking fuel oil into the yard of 10 Bond Street and perhaps into adjacent properties. The owners of 10 Bond Street are now seeking to perform substantial renovations on the structure, thus triggering the requirement of Article 32 to install a groundwater recharge system. The owners of 10 Bond Street are requesting a waiver from the Board of Appeal from installing a recharge system because they claim the soil conditions in their yard are unique and unusual. The owners of 10 Bond Street are also asserting that installation of that recharge system would constitute a hardship for them. The soil at 10 Bond Street was contaminated by the owners' own fuel tank and their failure to maintain it. The owners of 10 Bond Street therefore are requesting a waiver from installing a recharge system based on contaminated soil conditions they created.

The Groundwater Ordinance is designed to improve the groundwater levels by requiring all residents (in the district) to install recharge systems when they perform major renovations to their properties. The Groundwater Ordinance will only work if all property owners are required to follow it. The granting of a waiver harms the other residents of the neighborhood by reducing the groundwater levels in the area.

We urge the Eight Street Neighborhood Association not to support the request for waiver.

JOHN G. MALOOF *John Maloof* 8 BOND ST
LEAHARD BURGER *Leahard Burger* 9 BOND ST
JEAN FRENCH *Jean French* 14 BOND ST.

DAVID Green		14 BOND ST
Miriam Ceram	Michael Ceccon	7 Bond St
HARRY CECCON	Harry Ceccon	7 BOND ST
Mareen Burns	Mureen Burns	13 Bond St
Luke Burns		13 Bond St.
NICHOLAS TSAKOS	Nick Tsakos	5 BOND ST
Dartene Tsakos	Dartene Tsakos	5 Bond St
Richard Pillard	W. C. Pillard	6 Bond St
BILL ALLEN	Bill Allen Jr	3 BOND ST
Charles Diabato	Chas A Diabato	4 M.L. Ford ST
Stephana Culhane	STEPHANIE CULHANE	6 RINGGOLD ST
EDWARD REZEK	Ed Rezek	6 Ringgold St.
FRANCES DAVID	Frances David	" "
Mary J. Culhane	MARY CULHANE	" "
COUZ T. REZEK		12 BOND
EDWARD REISS	Ed Reiss	1 BOND
Leo MUTSIS	Leo Mutsis	16 Bond st
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Leo MUTSIS	Leo Mutsis	1 HANSON ST
Aaron Khouran		12 Bond St.
Hedi Thiede		12 BOND ST
Lucy Bartolomay	LUCY BARTOLOMAY	1 BOND ST.
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