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Dear Secretary French and Chairperson Samuelson,

I am a 33 year resident of Hancock, Vermont and I currently sit on the town Select Board. Prior to my service on the Select Board I served more than 12 years on the Hancock School Board.

I am writing to express my concern with the prospect of adding the Lincoln School District to the White River Valley SU. The Town of Hancock is a small community with below average income levels. There are other small economically challenged communities in the White River Valley SU. I feel it is unreasonable to add the Lincoln School District to our SU as it will likely increase our tax burden and further Lincoln's ability to avoid merging schools to reduce costs as our town did a few years ago.

Adding Lincoln to our SU is not helping the communities control budgets and provide quality education to our students. Please do not permit Lincoln to join the White River Valley SU.

Thank you,  
Dan Perera

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