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Objet Esso Station Mies Van De Rohe

Conseil Du Patrimoine De Montreal,

I recently attended the meeting at Place Elgar in Ile-des-Soeurs concerning the designation of the Mies Van De Rohe Service Station as a heritage site.

I strongly endorse the suggested heritage citation ; the station is a unique architectural entity which merits preservation. There were several suggestions as to the station's future ; in my opinion the best idea by far was to preserve the site for the purpose for which it was designed - as a functioning service station. This would both maintain the architectural function of the building and service the citizens in the neighbourhood. I had the feeling that more energy needed to be focussed at municipal government level on attaining this goal.

I really appreciated the interest expressed by the people who attended the meeting ; thanks to your organisation for this initiative.

Jim Hillman