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June 20, 2008

Larry Bueler, Project Manager
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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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Sincerely,

Charlie C. Baker

Charlie C. Baker
220 Mittman Circle,
New Braunfels, Texas 78132
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March 10, 2009
Larry Bueler, Project Manager
Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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2. The proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside on a daily basis. Increased by-product emissions and increased truck traffic is not conducive to the children's health and personal safety. Young lungs are especially at risk for developing respiratory problems due to excessive rock dust in the air surrounding their school. Furthermore, I work at Lone Star School and in the mornings when I come down the hill on the Loop I can see the dust settling in the low areas right toward Lone Star. I am sure that this can be a serious health concern for these young children playing outside at recess and for the surrounding community.
3. It is estimated that 275-350 trucks, each weighing **25-40 TONS** will run daily. These trucks will all be **non-point sources** of air pollution. These trucks will not be monitored by TCEQ, or any other public health professional.
4. Public health issues from the excessive quarry dust and soot, will impact breathing: ie.shortness of breathe, wheezing, coughing, headaches, nausea, lung and throat irritation. This additional traffic will cause increased air pollution, road maintenance and possibility dramatic accidents and fatalities. Interstatel-35 was recently shut down for six (6) hours due to an overturned cement truck!
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7. Aggregate Industries, a subsidiary of Holcim, International Cement Corporation, has received numerous violations and millions of dollars in fines from the E.P.A. for continual violations of the *National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants* without changing their business practices.
8. The *Michigan Department of Environmental Quality* has repeatedly fined Holcim for emitting air particulates more than seven times the legal limit.
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Sincerely,

Patricia Baker

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220 Mittman Circle,
New Braunfels, Texas 78132
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March 13, 2009

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TO: Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
ATTN: Larry Bueler, Project Manager
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
PO box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

SUBJECT: This email is to establish our opposition to the Aggregate Industries/Holcim proposed rock quarry and cement distribution facility on FM 482 in Comal County.

REF: Air Quality Permit No. 83755 Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

FROM: Deborah Ball
9240 Blue Point
New Braunfels, TX 78132

- We are strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482.
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- We already suffer from current quarry pollution, dust on cars, environmental damage, cracks in homes, etc.
- Do we really need another quarry in New Braunfels? NO

Thank you,

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Name David R. Bird

Address 9042 Blazing Star, Garden Ridge TX 78266

Phone 210-651-9170

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REF: Air Quality Permit No. 83755 Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

FROM: Jim and Karen Bishop
26206 Lewis Ranch Road
New Braunfels, Texas 78132

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Thank you, Karen and J Bishop

Karen and Jim Bishop

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Address 9227 Glorinia

Phone Gordon Ridge, Tx

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Name Allen Bosch

Address 10023 Trophy Oaks Dr.

Phone 210-651-6625

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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Wayne Brown
27985 Countryside Dr.
New Braunfels, Tx 78132

Office of the Chief Clerk
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Tx 78711-3087

July 14, 2007

Ref: Air Quality Permit # 83755
Rock Crushing plant
5900FM482, New Braunfels, Comal Co. Tx

Dear Sirs,

My wife and I are strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482. There are already other like plants that produce loud explosions every day, as well as cause a cloud of dust in the air that settles on our property when the wind is right. I am concerned about the health problems this is causing, and do not want any more of the same. There is an elementary school about a mile from this proposed plant. These children shouldn't have to breath the dust from a rock crushing plant!

I request a contested case hearing and public meeting.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Wayne Brown

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Wayne Brown
27985 Countryside Dr.
New Braunfels, Tx
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830-620-1955

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BY DC

July 12, 2009

Ms. La Donna Castanuela, Chief Clerk
TCEQ, MC-105
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Tx 78711-3087

AIR PERMIT 83755

Dear Ms. Castanuela,

I would like to request a RECONSIDERATION of the Executive Director's Decision To allow a new permit for Aggregate industries to open a new quarry near my home at 27985 Countryside Dr. This quarry would have explosions, dust, traffic, etc. that will disrupt my peace and tranquility. I already hear explosions from existing plants and this new one would be even closer to my home.

Please do not let this happen!

Sincerely,

Wayne E. Brown

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CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

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New Braunfels, Tx 78132

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, Texas 78711

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FEB 25 2009
BY _____

Dear Sirs,

I just received your notice about the Air Quality Permit being issued to Aggregate Industries for a new rock quarry by my house (5900 Farm to Market Rd. 482) and I want to register my disapproval in the strongest terms. We have an existing quarry a couple of miles farther away from our house and the windows in our house shake daily when they set off explosives to mine their rocks, not to mention scaring the ___ out of me when they do it.

From the notice you sent it looks like we are being presented with a fait accompli as it says that the TCEQ director says it has met "all the rules and regulations" What about the people who will be stuck with all the noise, dust, traffic, etc. for the distant future? It does not meet with MY approval! My family has to live here! You are way up in Austin and won't have to live with your decision.

Please do not let Aggregate Industries have permission to disrupt my peace and quiet!

Best Regards,

Wayne Brown

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830-620-1955

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Name Jim & Chris Brunette

Address 21249 Forest Waters Circle,

Phone Garden Ridge, Tx 78266

Email (210) 651-5923

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June 16, 2008

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
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New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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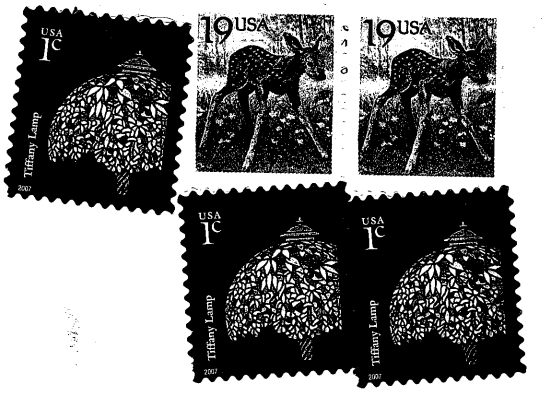

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Sincerely,

James E Burns

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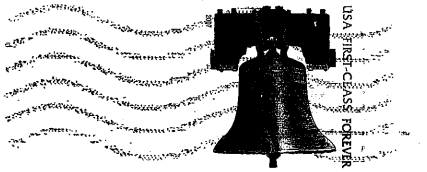

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Comal County

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We are located approx. 1 mile from the proposed site and believe will be impacted severly from this location of the new plant. Please consider my plea and think about if this was next to your home of 33 years.

Thank you for your attention to my letter.

Sincerely,

Carol & Tom Chaffe

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Via Facsimile Transmission and U.S. Mail

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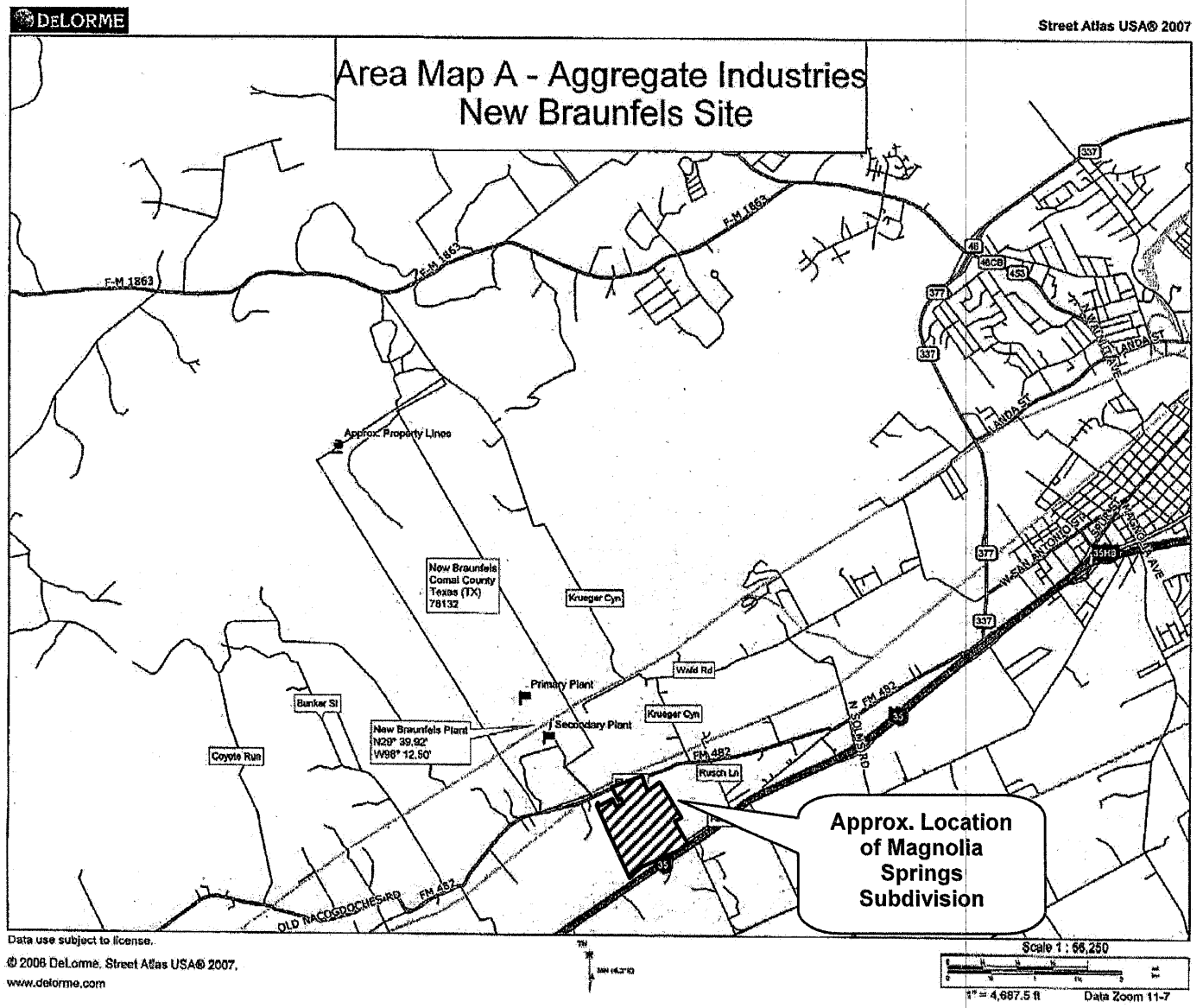

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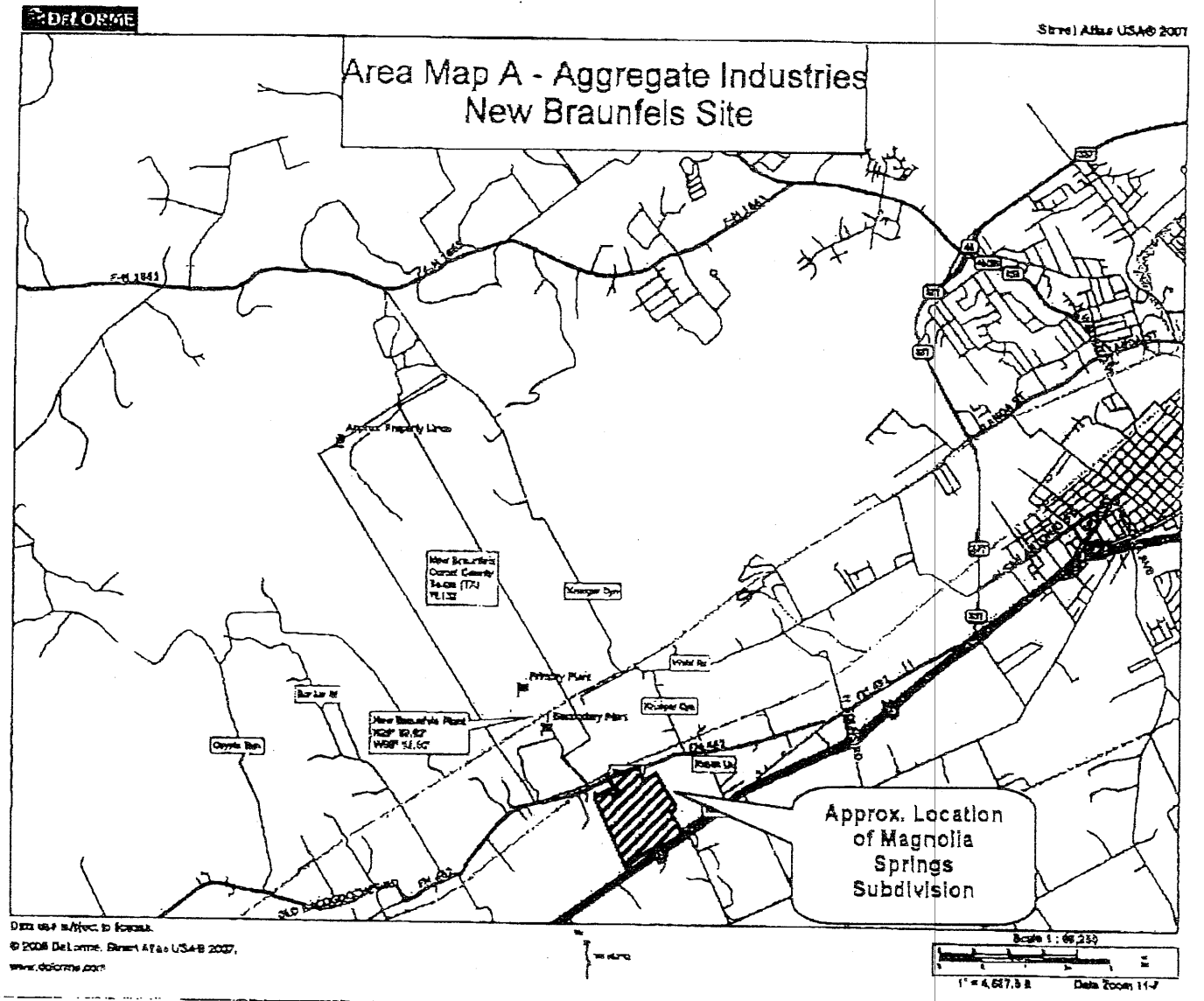

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Chief Clerk, MC-105
Via Fax 512-239-3311

FROM: Patrick Christensen

RE: Application of Aggregate Industries – WCR, Inc. for Air Quality Permit No. 83755

MESSAGE:

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TO: Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
ATTN: Larry Bueler, Project Manager
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SUBJECT: This letter is to establish our opposition to the Aggregate Industries/Holcim proposed rock quarry and cement distribution facility on FM 482 in Comal County.

REF: Air Quality Permit No. 83755 Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

FROM: Dan and Carlene Comer
26532 Lewis Ranch Rd.
New Braunfels, TX 78132

- We are strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482.
- We request a contested case hearing and public meeting.
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- Our quality of life is significantly impacted by the truck traffic already in the area. Any additional truck traffic would be unbearable.
- We already suffer from current quarry pollution, dust on cars, environmental damage, cracks in homes, etc.
- Do we really need another quarry in New Braunfels? NO

Thank you,

Carlene Comer

March 18, 2009

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New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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6. New Braunfels Code of Ordinance 2003-34, Sec. 82.9 Noise Prohibitions may be in violated due to the nuisance of facility operations.
7. Aggregate Industries, a subsidiary of Holcim, International Cement Corporation, has received numerous violations and millions of dollars in fines from the E.P.A. for continual violations of the *National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants* without changing their business practices.
8. The *Michigan Department of Environmental Quality* has repeatedly fined Holcim for emitting air particulates more than seven times the legal limit.
9. Holcim has received E.P.A. citations and fines for violations of the *Clean Air Act* in Clarksville, Missouri; Midlothian, Texas; Clarksville, Missouri; Dundee, Michigan; and South Carolina for falsifying emission reports, exceeding temperatures in their bag houses, and improper installation of appropriate air ventilation.
10. The *Endangered Species Act* protects the Golden Cheeked Warbler, whose habitat will be destroyed should this additional quarry be allowed to develop in our community.

It is my understanding that the Texas Commission of Environment Quality is responsible for maintaining and protecting our environment, not knowingly and intentionally destroying our air and the safety of the children and residents in Comal County.

Sincerely,

Carlene Comer RN

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 18, 2009

TO: Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
ATTN: Larry Bueler, Project Manager
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
PO Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

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REF: Air Quality Permit No. 83755 Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

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FROM: Dan and Carlene Comer
26532 Lewis Ranch Rd.
New Braunfels, TX 78132

- We are strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482.
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- Do we really need another quarry in New Braunfels? NO

Thank you,
Carlene Comer

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WWW - EXECDIR - NO Holcim quarry

From: carlene comer [redacted]
To: <execdir@tceq.state.tx.us>
Date: 3/18/2009 10:45 AM
Subject: NO Holcim quarry
Attachments: EMAIL AND LETTER TO TCEQ.doc

I have copied the text of the letter into this email as well as attached the document. Please review in reference to the proposed quarry and deny the permit. Thank you.

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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Sincerely,

Chris Coryell and Joellen E. Coryell, Ph.D., Thaddeus Coryell (age 12), Sofia Coryell (age 9)
2188 Krueger Canyon
New Braunfels, TX 78132
830-606-4316

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Name HAROLD N. CRISP

Address 20820 TIMBER ROSE

Phone GARDEN RIDGE TX 78266
210-651-6859

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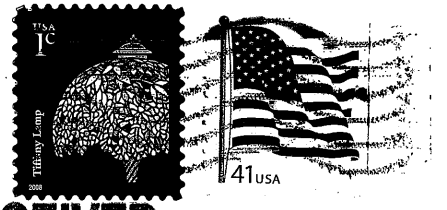

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Name Tim & Sharon Daugherty

Address 22004 Deer Canyon-Garden Ridge

Phone 210-651-1706

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Larry Bueler, Project Manager
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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)
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Rock Crushing Plant
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Sincerely,

Mary Alicia Day

Name: Mary Alicia Day
Address: 204 Mittmann Circle, New Braunfels, Texas 78132
Phone No: 830-620-7703

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Name Robert + Lynne Dan

Address 21630 Forest Waters Cir Garden Ridge, TX. 78266

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Name Bette A. & W.N. Deason, Jr.

Address 23145 FM 3009, San Antonio, TX 78266

Phone 210-651-6148

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5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

FROM: Greg and Susie DeMarco
26571 Lewis Ranch Road
New Braunfels, Texas 78132

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Name Stephen & Elma Demory

Address 9497 Cinchona Trail

Phone 210-658-2311

Email

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Name BILL AND FRANCES DOYLE

Address 9235 CINCHONA TRAIL

Phone 210 651 6710

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Sincerely,

Greg Drake

Name: GREG DRAKE
Address: 2218 CEDAR GROVE, NEW BRAUNFELS, TX 78132
Phone No: 830-629-3673

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Pam Drake

Name: Pam Drake
Address: 2218 Cedar Grove, New Braunfels TX 78132
Phone No: 830-629-3673

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Name Lt. Col. & Mrs. K. E. Druckenbrodt

Address 9520 Miller Lane

Phone (210) 651-9055

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Name Jerry Dumais

Address 20220 Regency Run, Garden Ridge 78266

Phone 210-651-4445

Email

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Name Vic DURBON

Address 20387 GRASS CREEK RD

Phone 210-651-5943 Garden Ridge, TX 78266

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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Reference: Air Quality Permit # 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 Fm 482,
New Braunfels,
Comal County, Texas

Dear Sirs,

My name Is Dennis Felix , I live just within 1 mile of the proposed site. **I'm strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing facility at 5900 FM 482 in Comal County** for the following reasons:

- Matter emissions can impact health especially on senior citizens and children
- Due to it's proximity to a school
- Truck traffic is already an issue in the area and more is not needed
- I truly believe that this type of facility should be located in less populated area
- I'm willing to fight this permit process until the well being of the area is respected

Due to the reasons above I'm requesting a "Contested Case Hearing " and public meeting.

Sincerely,

Dennis Felix

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From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC2
To: air
Date: 3/27/2009 10:58 AM
Subject: Re: Fwd: Public comment on Permit Number 83755
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PERMIT NUMBER:83755
DOCKET NUMBER: Not Found
COUNTY:COMAL
PRINCIPAL NAME:AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES-WCR INC
CN NUMBER:CN603300625
FROM
NAME: Dennis Felix

COMPANY:N/A
ADDRESS:11918 SHADOW LN
NEW BRAUNFELS TX78132-3627
PHONE:
FAX:
COMMENTS: If this permit is granted: 1. what's the propsed/scheduled date of "permit granting"? 2.when would constuction begin at the propsed site? 3.what's the target date fo openig this site for active business? For the record I'm adamentely opposed to this proposed use of land due to all the envirnmental,trucking, sound, dust, dirt, and complete destruction of the peace and harmony that currantly exits in this area. I live within 3 miles of the "raping " of our natural resouces by this Euro based giant with a track record of violations against the envinment!

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PHONE:830-625-7929
FAX:
COMMENTS: The purpose of these comments is to protest Aggregate, Industries obtaining Air Quality Permit No. 83755. I am a resident of Comal County my address is 11918 Shadow Lane we live within 3 1/2 miles from the proposed rock crushing quarry at 5900 FM 482. I strongly object to the construction of this new facility for the following reasons: 1. The impact of PM2.5 airborne particulate emissions can increase air pollution affecting the environment, wildlife and health of residents, particularly the young and old. These fine particle emissions have been associated with premature mortality and other serious health effects and may be in violation of the EPAs Clean Air Act. 2. The proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside on a daily basis. Increased by-product emissions and increased truck traffic is not conducive to the childrens health and personal safety. These trucks (300 to 400 daily) will not be monitored by TCEQ, or any other public health professional. 4. Public health issues from the excessive quarry dust and soot, will impact breathing. 5. The wells and septic systems on our properties may be affected by blasting. 6.Groundwater and the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone

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TCEQ Public Meeting Form

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

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Aggregate Industries – WCR, Inc.
Proposed Air Quality Permit No. 83755

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: DENNIS J. FELIX

Mailing Address: 11918 SHADOW LN

Physical Address (if different): —

City/State: N.B. Zip: 78132

Phone: (830) 625-7029

☑ Please add me to the mailing list.

Are you here today representing a municipality, legislator, agency, or group? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, which one? _____

IF YOU WANT TO GIVE FORMAL COMMENT PLEASE ✓ BELOW

☑ I wish to provide formal oral comments.

☐ I wish to provide formal written comments at tonight's public meeting.
(Written comments may be submitted at any time during the meeting)

Please give this to the person at the information table. Thank you.

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From: Curtis Fey Jr. 482
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210-378-7382

To: Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105
TECQ
PO Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Subject: Comments to Application for Air Quality Permit No. 83755 by Aggregate Industries – WCR, 5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, TX 78132

I reside across the Farm-to-Market Road within 1000 feet from the proposed sight at 6025 FM 482 and will be highly affected by the daily air emissions. I respectfully request TCEQ Commissioners NOT accept Aggregate Industries application for subject Air Quality Permit, and request a contested case hearing.

TECQ is established as the leading environmental protection agency of the state of Texas. In order to effectively provide environmental protection, the commission must consider the entire collective effect of an individuals or groups action on the environment. By only considering air contamination emissions from a portion of Aggregate Industries plant process, the rock crushing plant, the assessment severely falls short of performing an adequate environmental assessment of Aggregate Industries planned actions. Further, the combined effect of all area aggregate mining actions must be considered for an adequate air quality assessment.

In addition, Aggregate Industries planned actions for harvesting of aggregate should include not only impact to the air, but also include the environmental effect on the surrounding water and land. Contamination of the regions source of drinking water will have a devastating effect. Environmental damage such as this will have a nightmarish effect on Texas' economy.

My only source of fresh water comes from a private family well located near the proposed site development. Aggregate Industries planned land removal and water consumption causes tremendous strain on both the availability and health of my current water supply, exacerbated during drought conditions. Loss of my water supply will create a catastrophic effect on my living conditions and cause a colossal financial hardship.

We all agree that Texas air, water, and land resources are precious and must be protected. In order to ensure adequate protection of these resources, the combined environmental impact of Aggregate Industries planned new plant must be considered.

The only benefit to solely focusing on crushing plant air emissions alone is to make the approval process convenient and expedient. It is ironic that the agency, whose purpose is to serve as the protection agency for the state, actually fosters actions for the contamination of the environment by choosing to evaluate only one segment of one plant operation for one aspect of the environment.

I urge the TEQC commissioner to fulfill their environmental protection obligations in serving the people of the state of Texas by NOT approving subject permit until the entire collective effect of Aggregate Industries planned plant operations to all critical areas of the environment can be adequately assessed.

Sincerely,

Curtis A. Fey Jr.

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Subject: Proposed Air Quality Permit No. 83755, Aggregate Industries – WCR (AI)

Dear Sir or Madam,

We appreciate the opportunity to voice our concerns about the subject Air Quality Permit, which would authorize construction of a Rock Crushing Plant at 5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas. This letter is in addition to previous written comments submitted by Tim Fey by letter dated March 20, 2008, and oral comments submitted by Sharlene Fey and by Tim Fey at a Public Meeting on March 10, 2009. We highly oppose the issuance of this air permit and ask that the Preliminary Decision be reversed and the Permit Application be rejected. We request another public comment period, more public meetings, and a contested case hearing.

We reside at 6028 FM 482, New Braunfels, Texas, on approximately 72 acres that lie north of FM 482 and adjacent to the property owned by AI and/or Holcim. Our home is directly below the escarpment, south of the Dean Word Company Ltd (DW) operations. Due to our location, we would be adversely affected each and every day by noise, lights, odor, blasting, and other nuisances from the proposed AI facility and any and all related operations, such as cement distribution, truck and rail loading, and secondary plant operations. We would suffer daily from air emissions and potential harmful contaminants from clearing and crushing, from roads, tanks, stockpiles, loading, and associated processes, and from increased truck and railcar activity and secondary plant operations. Our concerns, comments and questions include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. We were disappointed that our property was not labeled on many of the maps submitted by Westward Environmental, Inc. (WEI). Why was "Adjacent Quarry Land" clearly labeled and described and our property not described? Our only label is "nearest receptor". We believe that, for a fair evaluation, the maps should characterize the surroundings and not assume that everything is quarry-related. Our property should have been labeled "Designated Family Land Heritage Property", as pronounced by Governor Rick Perry when he served as Commissioner of the Texas Agriculture Department. Our property has been farmed and ranched by our family for over 100 years. As direct descendants, we continue the operations so that our agricultural heritage will be preserved. So, please tell us why we are a "receptor", and what will we be receiving? Also, if our cattle are grazing near the fence line, or our children are taking a hike, do they become "receptors" and would they actually be "closer" receptors? If so, do the air dispersion modeling and other analyses take into account the possibility of these closer receptors? See Exhibit A.

2. Due to our proximity to the proposed operations, we are extremely concerned about air emissions. We understand that these fine particle emissions have

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been associated with serious health issues and may even be in violation of the EPA's Clean Air Act. We are concerned that these emissions will further pollute an area that is already subjected to emissions from existing quarry operations and emissions from nearby Interstate 35. Air Quality Alerts are very common in this area and appear frequently in the local newspaper. Ashes from Mexico are also predominant during certain times of the year. Please advise as to the concentration of the emissions and potential adverse health effects from all sources combined. Please tell us about the sensitivity analyses of various factors.

3. We understand that the air dispersion model may have taken into account emissions from several neighboring facilities. Please confirm which neighboring facilities were combined with AI in running these models. Were Dean Word Company Ltd (DW), Wright's Production (and affiliated operations), CEMEX, Chemical Lime, and Martin Marietta Materials included? Were AI's cement distribution facility and secondary plant included? It appears that the neighboring facilities may have been limited to a two to three mile radius. Why stop there? We feel that Hanson Aggregates and its affiliated operations, which are approximately 5 miles away, also contribute to air emissions in this area. In addition, the nearby ready-mix plants stir up substantial dust. Since several modeling results were narrowly under the limits, we respectively request that additional scenarios, together with sensitivity analyses, be performed to truly show the potential harmful effects of living in this concentrated area (an approximate 8-mile stretch, ranging from Hanson on FM 2252 to the conglomerate of operations on Wald Road). We believe this additional area should be considered since emissions would be denser than the Comal County background. It would be prudent to also factor in emissions from IH 35 and truck and rail activities. Another factor that should be considered is whether there are any outstanding, pending requests by any of these neighboring facilities to increase emissions in the future? Has Chemical Lime or others applied for renewed permits or received approval to increase emissions (Exhibit B)? What assumptions are used to project future throughput and emissions? Since we are currently in an economic downturn, were lower amounts used? What are the effects when the economy turns around? We also believe that the modeling may have used several averages (for instance, average height of stockpiles). Since the environment and public health are at stake, why not use the maximum and worse-case scenarios? We also challenge using "Hill Country" terrain in the air dispersion model.

4. We acknowledge that WEI are recognized experts in their field, but we believe it would be in the best interest of the public to have uninvolved, independent, third-party experts offer their opinion, report on sensitivities, and challenge the enormous amount of input data and assumptions that were provided directly by quarry operators, AI, and its consultants? Could you also provide some background information on WEI, particularly as to their success rate in obtaining permits from the TCEQ and compliance history on facilities they have engineered?

5. In one of WEI's reports, it was noted that DW's permitted emission sources cannot cause a violation at receptors on DW's own site. Please explain. It seems that if concentrations of modeled emission sources were above thresholds any where in the vicinity, that this would be a cause of concern to public health and it

would not be allowed. It may not result in a cited violation, penalty or fine to DW, but it is still, in fact, concentrated amounts of emissions in this area. We are very concerned since we live so close to DW's site and feel that we could be impacted. How close were the impacted DW receptors to our property? Again, sensitivity analyses should be performed and provided to the public.

6. The proposed stockpiles cover over 30 acres, with two exceeding heights of 45 feet. Why were exceptions even considered for a company with no proven track record? No exceptions should be made to the height standard. Specifically, please do not grant an exception because the only suggested alternative by WEI and/or AI is that AI will run a second shift. Second shifts are very unsafe and cause more nuisance. Could you please consider adding permit language that would disallow a second shift? As to the stack heights, other options may exist, such as WEI and/or AI re-engineering the facility design to meet the 45-foot standard. Yes, this will cost time and money, but AI is here to gain profits. Please do not sacrifice the public's health and safety for AI's profit-making motives. AI and WEI should have known the specifications and standards of stack heights when engineering the plant in the first place. If AI cannot engineer a facility to function responsibly in this environmentally-sensitive area, then their application should be rejected. We also ask that existing quarries in the area be investigated and subjected to the same 45-foot requirement, whether stated in their permits or not. We believe that the higher heights will cause particulates to travel further in distance. Visibility in the area would be greatly impaired, particularly from the proposed 60-foot pile. Will my home lie in the shadow of a huge stockpile? Who approved these exceptions, what basis was used for the justification, and is it customary to grant exceptions to New Source Reviews?

7. Due to the magnitude and size of the proposed operations, we ask that you please exercise the highest degree of due diligence in evaluating AI as a responsible corporate citizen. If AI is a New Source Review and has no available compliance history, please scrutinize their parent and/or affiliated companies, particularly those operating in Midlothian, Texas? Also, on a consolidated basis, how much does the parent and its subsidiaries have accrued for environmental liabilities on its financial statements? What are these accruals related to? Are there any ongoing investigations?

8. We greatly appreciate the in-depth technical review and are confident that stringent controls and requirements were added. We feel, however, that more controls, on-going monitoring, and public reporting requirements are needed. The public will want answers, access to information, and transparency. For example, will the moisture content of the aggregates be measured, monitored, and reported? When visible dust leaves AI properties, how will this be detected? Will there be reviews and audits that are available to the public? Will AI be able to use water to keep dust under control, particularly during times of restrictions? Please consider adding permit language that requires using dust suppressants that may be more effective in dry conditions. With the size of AI operations, is it feasible that one water truck will be sufficient? Perhaps modeling to measure the effectiveness of a single water truck should be performed. What is the back-up plan if the water truck breaks down? Are appropriate controls placed on the rail and truck loadout operations? These are just a few of many, many questions. Since we live so close, we would be impacted

immediately by any deviation from the Special Conditions, particularly watering and washing requirements. We would suffer until our complaint was addressed, documented, and investigated. This time delay is unacceptable, and we request that a more proactive approach be taken. In today's world of technology, could some advance monitoring and detection measures be placed on AI's premises or near our property line. Please re-evaluate the proposed permit to see if additional controls and monitoring requirements can be included.

9. The draft permit defines visible fugitive emission in terms of a six-minute period. What if I notice, after some time, concentrated, caked-on dust on my property? How do I document that visible emissions have left AI's property? Do I have justification for a complaint?

10. We are concerned about our water resource, in terms of both quality and availability. Our water supply is provided by a well located north of our home, lying below the escarpment. We are very concerned that our water source will be jeopardized. For example, will our water source be subjected to contamination from seepage of industrial run-off, accidental surface discharge, ponds, drainage, fuel spills, and other ways? Will our well structure be adversely impacted by blasting? Will our supply of water run dry because of the vast amount of water to be used in the AI operations? If dust suppressants are not used, will water always be available to minimize dust from stockpiles, serve the wheel washes, and keep the roads cleaned? Will AI be using water from the Edwards Aquifer and/or Trinity Aquifer? Our livestock also drink from a stock pond to the west of our house. We are concerned about runoff and other contaminants from quarry operations entering this water supply and causing potential harmful effects to livestock and wildlife. Also, what effect will the AI operations have on water tables and natural springs located in the area?

11. We are concerned about the damaging effects the AI operations will have on our agriculture activities. Will grasses, cropland, gardens, and livestock grazing on our property be subjected to dangerous emissions, contaminants, and concentrated layers of dust? Have there been any joint studies between the TCEQ and Department of Agriculture to address these issues? If so, what are the findings? We are also concerned about the effects of the constant drone and clatter of machinery, such as crushers, conveyors, and processors, high-pitched sirens and alarms, and other noises. What effect will items, like noises, lights, and odors, have on our livestock? Our bull is a black Limousin (offspring of Dakota) (Exhibit C). We purchased him at a premium price due to his mild temperament. We have worked extensively with our herd so that their dispositions are manageable and that breeding and calfing are safe and successful. But with the onset of the AI operations so close in proximity, we fear that our livestock will be spooked, nervous and anxious, each and every day, and our cow/calf operations will be disturbed. This will lead to the eventual demise of our agricultural activities. We do not believe that a berm as proposed by WEI will solve these issues for our livestock or our quality of life.

12. We believe the Project Description of the surrounding land use was mischaracterized in the Permit Application. It states that the use is "primarily limestone quarrying with some agricultural and residential uses". A similar description is again found in the modeling report. We feel that surrounding areas should be appropriately described. Yes, there are limestone quarries on Wald Road

and adjacent property, and by their nature, are very visible. However, please note that, within a one to two mile radius of the AI operations, the following are apparent:

- Hundreds of families living on Rusch Lane, Bunker Road, Coyote Run, Krueger Canyon, Solms Road, along FM 482 and FM 1863
- Castlerock Community/Magnolia Springs Development
- St. Joseph's Chapel (near 6700 FM 482)
- Sts. Peter & Paul Cemetery (near 6700 FM 482) and Schwab Cemetery (near 5731 FM 482)
- Solms City Park (less than one mile away at the corner of Krueger Canyon and FM 482), which has grown in popularity and is very crowded with ball games, walkers, joggers, strollers, celebrations and other events
- Sunbelt City Park at the corner of Krueger Canyon and Wald Road (not used much since it is too near CEMEX)
- Historic Cotton Gin and other historical structures/sites
- Comal Elementary School and St. John Paul II High School (which narrowly escape the 3,000-feet question on the application form)
- 100-Year Texas Heritage Farm Lands
- Substantial ranching acres owned and operated by the Schaefer family
- Many rural homes and acreage, with horses, cattle and bison
- Cyclists riding the country roads
- Historical Marker (near 5160 FM 482) placed by the Daughters of the American Revolution, designating FM 482 as part of an historic roadway located in Texas and Louisiana known as the "Old San Antonio Road', "El Camino Real", or "King's Highway". In 2004, President Bush signed a bill designating The El Camino Real de Los Tejas, of which the Old San Antonio Road is part, a National Historic Trail.

As you can see, the primary land use from our point of view is definitely one of residents, agricultural activities, schools, parks, and history, or perhaps, we should just say "a community" (Exhibit D).

It would be very unfair to subject this community to the potential harmful effects of air emissions, other contaminants, and intolerable truck and rail traffic. For instance, Solms City Park is filled with children and families most every day, but is very near the proposed AI operations (less than a mile). Will the fresh air of the park be compromised? This area has already taken measures to protect their homes and families by prohibiting truck traffic on Rusch Lane. There are actual "No Trucks" signs posted. See Exhibit E. Additionally, teenage drivers going to and from high schools travel FM 482 as do school buses. Please do not put their lives at risk by overloading FM 482 with more trucks. Speaking of roads, we are very concerned about the amount of dust and mud that trucks drag onto the roadways. It is an everyday problem on Wald Road and FM 2252. Please take measures to ensure that FM 482 does not turn into a dust trail and that the center highway stripe will always be visible. This is a major safety issue. Are there requirements to cover and tarp trucks before leaving the AI facility? Will the wheel washes be effective?

The AI operations just don't fit here. There is no room for a quarry of this magnitude in this community! AI should move to a less-populated area.

13. Upon first glance at AI's application, we noted several major challenges that AI would face, such as:
    - Running a rock crushing facility in the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone
    - Running a rock crushing facility near the habitat of an endangered species
    - Working around a residence that lives on AI/Holcim premises
    - Building a secondary plant and rail spur in the Dry Comal Creek flood plain
    - Working with the railroads
    - Gaining access to FM 482 and other roads
    - Working safely around a gas pipeline on the property

    We recognize that these are not air quality concerns. We do feel, however, that it is important to recognize these problems in AI's and/or WEI's proposal. For example, it is obvious that structures which impede water flow cannot be built in a flood plain. In fact, we have heard that AI's structures will have to be higher (and thus more expensive) than originally proposed. We understand further that biologists continue to study the Golden-Cheek warblers nesting area on AI's property. Then, several weeks ago, the local newspaper reported a train derailment near Bunker Street (about a mile from AI operations) and said it was likely due to a whethered down track; yet AI wants to use more trains. AI proposes an additional 200 to 300 trucks per day on FM 482, a farm-to-market road with weight limits, school buses loading and unloading, high school drivers, and a "No Trucks" sign posted at the intersection with Rusch Lane. The point is that AI and/or WEI proposed a very aggressive and bold operation, perhaps without regard to the community, local and state standards, and transportation limitations. Their proposal places dangerous situations in our backyard. We believe that AI and/or WEI will continue to ask for exceptions, like the stockpile heights, until their proposal fits into this area. If the above list of challenges is obvious, what other aggressive plans have not yet surfaced as part of the rock crushing facility? It certainly draws doubts as to the responsibleness and practicability of their proposal. This is just not right and their application should be re-evaluated carefully and cautiously. See Exhibit F.

14. In a quick look at the Dry Comal Creek Flood Protection Project that is being built on land owned by AI and/or Holcim, it was interesting to note that an Environmental Assessment placed some very stringent requirements on the County, such as re-planting of trees and avoiding adverse effects to the golden-cheeked warblers and their habitat. Water resources and quality, flood plain management, biological environment, visual resources, as well as culture and historical issues were addressed for this public project. It is hard to believe, that on the very adjacent parcel of land (or maybe even the same parcel), a profit-making business is seeking an air permit to begin a rock crushing facility to excavate 5,000,000 tons of minerals per year, leaving a huge hole in the Balcones Escarpment, destroying hundreds of trees, and threatening endangered species and wildlife. Is this ironical, or completely absurd? Let's join forces and save our environment.

15. On a scientific note, are you aware of any studies to determine the effects of massive, man-made landscape changes (i.e., such as quarry basins, removal of forests, etc.) on climate, rainfall patterns, and the like? If so, what are the implications to this area of the Balcones Escarpment?

16. As to the public comment process, unless a person was available during normal business hours (8 am to 5 pm), it was very difficult to view documents. It was even more difficult to obtain copies. Sharlene Fey made a trip to the TCEQ Region 13 office (13 miles from our home) only to find a 2 to 3-inch bound report that could be copied for a charge at a retail printer, which was located another 17 miles further away. She then went to the Comal County Courthouse, thinking it was closer, only to find that the charge per page was $1.00 (exceeding well over $200 for a copy of the entire bound report). At the end, she made the trip to Austin, was directed to three different buildings (Office of Chief Clerk, Central Records, and finally the Air Permits Division). Please know that TCEQ staff at all locations offered help and support, were very courteous, and provided what information they could. It was, however, difficult to obtain copies of relevant public documents. This could be a deterring factor in receiving meaningful and relevant comments on a timely basis. Also, the Notice appearing in the New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung on February 25, 2009, showed an Austin zip code of 78711-**3087** in one paragraph and an Austin zip code of 78711-**3807** in another paragraph. If comments are not received timely, please know that there could be postal delays if the incorrect zip code was used. We would also like to point out that numerous neighbors were not aware of the AI proposal and thought it was the DW operations located at 5900 FM 482. The entrance is clearly marked with a Dean Word Company sign and existing operations are observed regularly. The proposed permit signs are off to the left and not as noticeable. This may also have impacted the number of comments submitted. See Exhibit G.

17. Lastly, we feel that personal health is a private matter, but, in this situation, feel compelled to share our conditions with you. Sharlene Fey is a Type 1 Diabetic (insulin-dependent). She is at high risk for stroke, cardiovascular disease, and many other complications. For years, she was taking up to seven injections of insulin and/or symlin per day. She is now using an insulin pump and has a continuous glucose monitoring system. It should be noted that stress causes blood glucose levels to rise. She also takes medications for high blood pressure and treats her eyes for excessive dryness. Tim Fey has suffered from hypertension for many years and is on medication to control blood pressure. In addition, he uses an oral inhaler when experiencing difficulties breathing and treats his eyes for excessive dryness. After years of health education, participation in wellness programs, and incurrence of medical costs, it would be most unfortunate if our conditions were further compromised due to adverse changes in living conditions, such as the constant stress of noise, lights and odor and the constant worrying about air emissions and water quality, and even the possible consumption of these contaminants, all generated by the proposed new aggregate operations. We have the right to live in a safe and clean environment where our health conditions do not worsen. It seems grossly unfair that we should be subjected, on a daily basis, to potential air and water contaminants and to the multitude of nuisances caused by an industrial operation of the size and magnitude that AI is proposing. It is also grossly unfair to our family, friends, and relatives who visit and would be subjected to the same adverse conditions. Eventually, they would probably stop visiting which would then leave us in isolation, causing further despair and perhaps even depression. These concerns will not be cured by a berm, which has already been suggested by WEI. What guarantees can you, AI or WEI give that our health will not be put at risk? We believe medical professionals would offer written opinions, if necessary.

We realize that some of the concerns stated above may be the responsibility of other regulatory agencies. To that extent, we ask that you please forward these concerns to the appropriate agencies for their evaluation and response, with a copy to us for future reference. We also request to be placed on the mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our comments. We trust that you will take necessary actions to protect our environment, keep our air and water clean, and stand up for our concerns! We feel strongly that it is in the best interest of the public that AI's application be rejected. Please feel free to contact us in writing or by telephone (listed below) to discuss our comments or respond to our questions.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Fey
TIM FEY

Sharlene Fey
SHARLENE FEY

ADDRESS AND PHONE:
6028 FM 482, New Braunfels, TX 78132
830-609-0126 (home phone)
210-414-6597 (cell phone)

EXHIBIT A – Tim & Sharlene Fey's Home (referred to as "Nearest Receptor") and "Designated Family Land Heritage Property" Marker

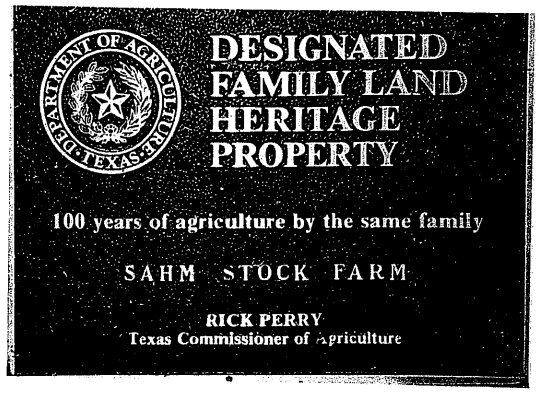

EXHIBIT B – Recent Chemical Lime Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR AN AIR QUALITY PERMIT

PROPOSED AIR QUALITY PERMIT NUMBERS: 7808 AND PSD-TX-256M3

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Chemical Lime, LTD., 350 APG Lane, New Braunfels, Texas 78132, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal and amendment of State Air Quality Permits 5640A and 7808 and modification of Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Air Quality Permit PSD-TX-256M3, which would authorize increased allowable emissions of certain air contaminants emitted from Kiln Nos. 2 and 3 at 350 APG Lane, New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on October 16, 2002. The facilities will emit the following air contaminants in a significant amount: nitrogen dioxide, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, sulfuric acid and particulate matter of 10 microns or less. In addition, the facilities will emit the following air contaminants: organic volatile compounds, lead, hydrogen chloride, dioxins/furans, chromium, mercury, nickel, and vanadium.

The degree of PSD increment predicted to be consumed by the facilities and other increment consuming sources in the area is as follows:

Sulfur Dioxide

Maximum Averaging Time	Maximum Increment Consumed (ug/m³)	Allowable Increment (ug/m³)
3-hour	327	512
24-hour	86	91
Annual	13	20

Particulate Matter

Maximum Averaging Time	Maximum Increment Consumed (ug/m³)	Allowable Increment (ug/m³)
24-hour	29.6	30
Annual	11	17

Nitrogen Dioxide

Maximum Averaging Time	Maximum Increment Consumed (ug/m³)	Allowable Increment (ug/m³)
Annual	24.7	25

The TCEQ Executive Director has determined that the emissions of air contaminants from the proposed facility which are subject to PSD review will not violate any state or federal air quality regulations and will not have any significant adverse impact on soils, vegetation, or visibility. All air contaminants have been evaluated, and "best available control technology" will be used for the control of these contaminants.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The TCEQ Executive Director has made a preliminary decision to issue the permit. The permit application, TCEQ Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality San Antonio Regional Office, and at the New Braunfels Public Library, 700 Common Street, New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality San Antonio Regional Office, 14250 Judson Road, San Antonio, Texas.

MAILING LIST. You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comment or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the TCEQ Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

You may submit additional written public comment to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comment, the TCEQ Executive Director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comment. **The response to comments, along with the TCEQ Executive Director's decision on the application will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application.**

A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court. **A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. A contested case hearing request must include the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility.**

If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decisions on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues raised by you or others during the public comment period that have not been withdrawn. Issues that are not raised in public comments may not be considered during a hearing.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. A timely hearing request has been received by the TCEQ. However, if all timely contested case hearing requests have been withdrawn and no additional comments are received, the TCEQ Executive Director may issue final approval of the application. If all timely hearing requests are not withdrawn, the TCEQ Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and requests to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled commission meeting.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, toll free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Espa?ol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our Web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from QC Process Engineer at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Jon McCaulev, Manager - Environmental, at (800) 531-1072, ext. 12802

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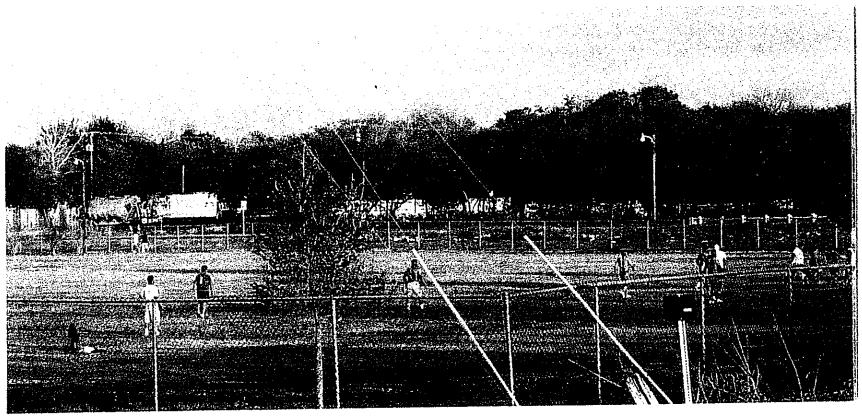
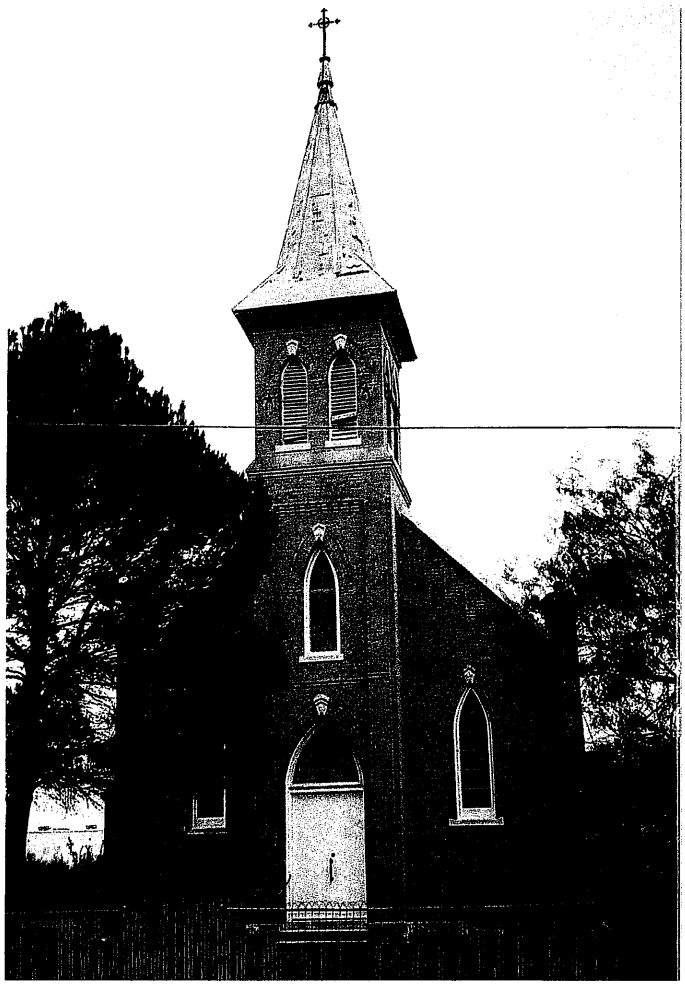
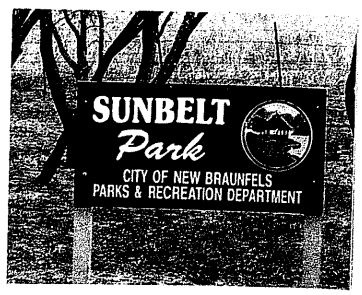
EXHIBIT C – Black Limousin Bull (Dakota Offspring) Owned by Tim & Sharlene Fey

EXHIBIT D – Various Sites in the Affected Community







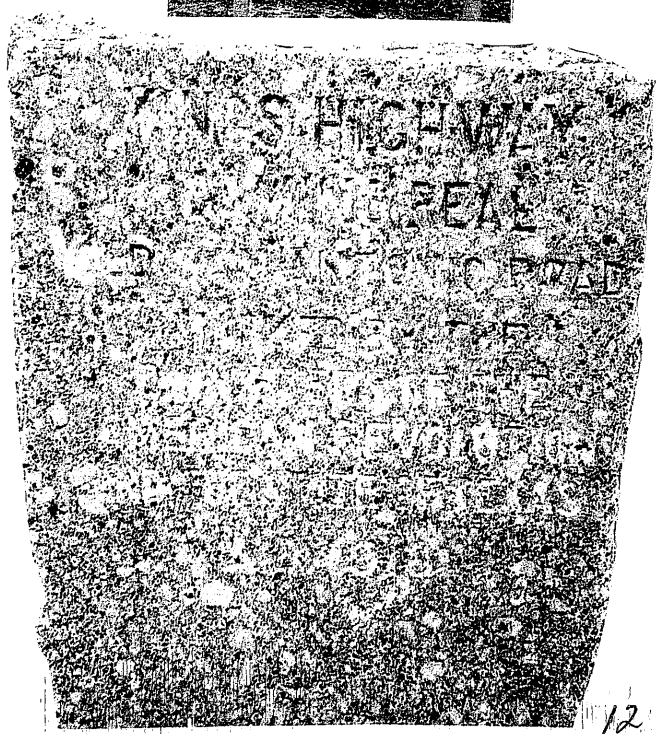
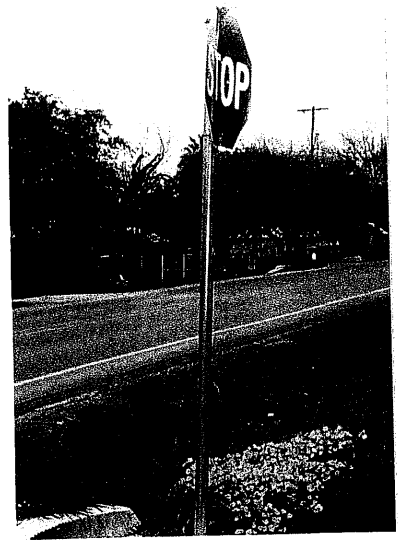
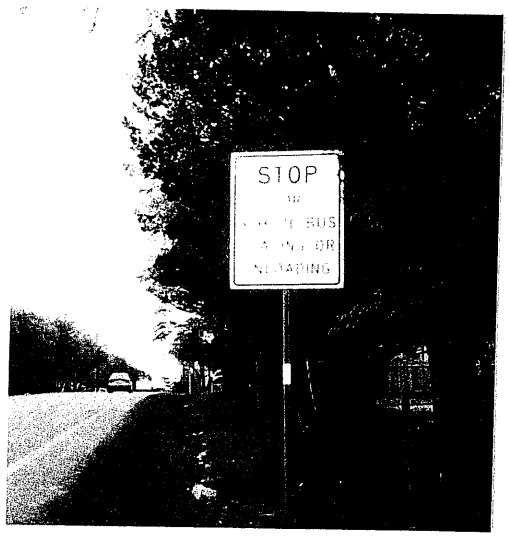


EXHIBIT E – "NO TRUCKS" Signs Posted on Rusch Lane and Truck Traffic in Solms





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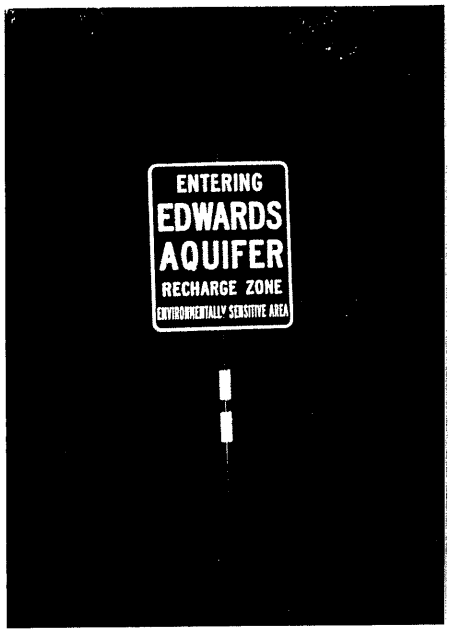

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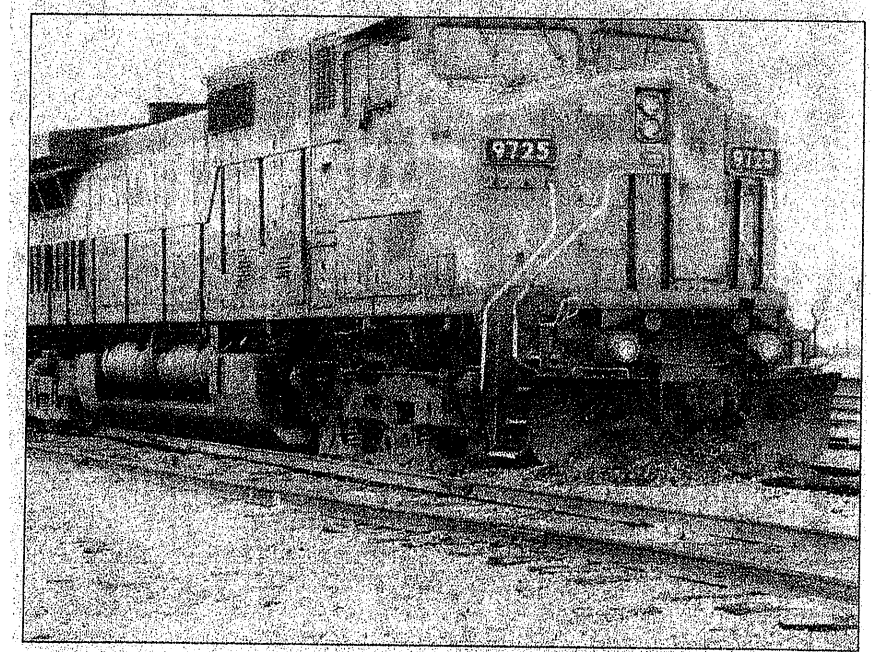

HENRY CUELLO/Herald-Zeitung

A train derailed on Bunker Road around 3 p.m. on Thursday. The likely culprit, a Union-Pacific official said, was that the track became whethered down. The train was back on track and on its way shortly, and the official said no further delays were expected.

EXHIBIT G – Entrance to FM 5900 FM 482

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TCEQ Public Meeting Form

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Aggregate Industries – WCR, Inc.
Proposed Air Quality Permit No. 83755

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: Sharlene Fey

Mailing Address: 6028 FM 482, ~~New Braunfels, TX 78132~~

Physical Address (if different): —

City/State: New Braunfels, TX Zip: 78132

Phone: (830) 609-0126

☑ Please add me to the mailing list.

Are you here today representing a municipality, legislator, agency, or group? ☐ Yes ☑ No

If yes, which one? _____

IF YOU WANT TO GIVE FORMAL COMMENT PLEASE ✓ BELOW

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(Written comments may be submitted at any time during the meeting)

Please give this to the person at the information table. Thank you.

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THE NEXT STEPS

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One thing we have discovered is that fighting a rock quarry can be a long and complicated process. Many have asked what the game plan is and how they can help. Below are a few of the next steps. Hopefully, this will get more people involved and informative.

1. Get to 1000 petition signatures and send letters to all local, state, and federal officials with petitions attached. We are currently at more than 800 petition signatures.

2. Put pressure on US Fish and Wildlife Service to use their authority to stop or delay quarry operations on environmental grounds – golden cheeked warbler and threat to Comal Springs.

3. Monitor permits applied for by Holcim with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). There are currently no outstanding permits.

4. Press for commitments from candidates for state representative, Doug Miller and Daniel Boone, to take up our cause and not bow to quarry special interests. They need to commit to aggressively lobby TCEQ to reject any future permits and demand a public meeting in Comal County.

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

How you can help (Check any that you are willing to do):

_____ Write a letter to the editor

_____ Get additional petition signatures from your family and neighbors

_____ Meet with US Fish and Wildlife officials

_____ Call elected officials or agency officials

_____ Be on the steering committee for the Comal Residents for Rural Heritage or take a leadership position with the group

✓ Speak to the media regarding our quarry fight

_____ Attend our next meeting

Name Tim + Sharlene Fey Address 6028 Fm 482, New Braunfels TX 78132

Phone 210-414-6597 Email [redacted]

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March 20, 2008

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Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
P. O. Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

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BY TB

Subject: Proposed Air Quality Permit No. 83755

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am very concerned about the issuance of the subject Air Quality Permit to authorize construction of a Rock Crushing Plant located at 5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Texas. I live just below the base of the escarpment at 6028 FM 482 with my wife and family. Our property lies adjacent to the proposed location. Our farm, including 6025 FM 482, was designated a 100- year heritage farm several years ago by the State of Texas. We continue to farm and ranch our family-owned property to maintain the agricultural value of the land, and as direct descendents, maintain and preserve as much heritage as we can.

In the notice of receipt of application, it states that the facility will emit the following compounds: organic compounds and particulate matter including particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter. I would like to see a study to better understand the contributing factors that lead to these conclusions. What is the definition of "facility"? Is "facility" described only as the rock crushing plant, or does it include brush clearing, blasting, hauling to crusher, crushing, loading of trucks or rail cars, ingress and egress of dusty trucks and rail cars, and other processes that would lead to additional unacceptable particulate and organic emissions? Is wind direction and speed considered in the study? Can you guaranty that my farm will not be saturated with dust and particles which will cause my family health issues, my crops insufficient sunlight to effectively grow, and my livestock to suffer from poor conditions? Do you truly consider the total package and its affects on the environment? A topographic plan view of the layout of the facility and how it relates to my property would be very helpful. This should include the proposed traffic flow, both truck and rail, to get the crushed material out of the facility.

I am also concerned that the addition of this proposed crusher, in aggregate with the other existing neighboring crushers, will impose unsatisfactory environmental and health threats. The Dean Word Company has been operating a crusher directly above my property for several years. Has that company applied for permits as well? Has a study along with some validation or testing been performed to verify that the emissions of the newly proposed sight when combined with emissions of the Word plant, the CEMEX plant, the Hanson plant, the offspring of numerous ready-mix operations, and the ancillary truck and rail operations will not exceed our environmental standards? I would like to have evidence provided to me and the public giving us better confidence that issuance of this single permit is in our best interest with regard to the total environmental impact and ultimately our health.

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The Federal Government recently imposed additional restrictions which continue to tighten the emissions levels within our community. Does this application fall within the new guidelines? Please be thorough in your investigations of these environmental impacts as a result of the proposed permitting of yet another rock crushing facility in this area, one that not only adjoins my farm and homestead but one that will affect the entire community. It should be noted that this community is home to Comal Elementary School at 6720 FM 482 and buses transport children throughout this area, including the portion of FM 482 directly in front of the proposed facility address.

Please feel free to contact me in writing or call me at 210-414-6597 (cell) or 830-609-0126 (home) to discuss my concerns or answer any questions I have raised. I also request to be placed on the mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Tim Fey
6028 FM 482
New Braunfels, TX 78132

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TCEQ Public Meeting Form

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As residents of Comal County, we oppose Holcim Inc.'s attempt to build a new quarry here and urge all state and federal officials to reject it. We believe all permits should be denied and ask for a public hearing for each permit. We are concerned about threats to water quality, and believe another gaping hole over the Edwards aquifer so close to Cemex poses a threat to aquifer recharge. We also believe the presence of the endangered golden cheeked warbler should be taken into consideration. The destruction of this songbird's habitat to dig another quarry robs the Hill Country of the character that makes the area desirable.

We believe that another quarry would adversely affect our quality of life. **As Texans, we do not want our private property rights violated by more blasting, dust, dangerous trucks, and traffic.** There are already two quarries close to the newly proposed quarry and that is enough.

Name LARRY + LINDA FISHER

Address 21455 FAIRVIEW CIRCLE GARDEN Ridge 78266

Phone 210 651-9322

Email

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AT PUBLIC MEETING

Comal Residents for Rural Heritage
1551 N. Walnut, STE 13, Box 245
New Braunfels, TX 78130

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Name Edwin & Regina Ford

Address 21360 Gunther Grove, Garden Ridge TX 78266

Phone 210-946-8123

Email

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AT PUBLIC MEETING

Comal Residents for Rural Heritage
1551 N. Walnut, STE 13, Box 245
New Braunfels, TX 78130

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Charles and Rita Foust
2315 Cedar Grove
New Braunfels, TX 78132

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CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

Larry Bueler, Project Manager
Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)
P.O. Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

PM OPA
H JUN 24 2008
BY KZ

Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

June 20, 2008

Dear Mr. Bueler:

We would like to request a public meeting and contested case hearing on Air Quality Permit No. 83755. We are residents of Comal County in Mission Valley Estates on FM 1863 in New Braunfels, TX and my neighborhood is approximately 2 statute miles from the proposed rock crushing quarry at 5900 FM 482. I strongly object to the construction of this new facility for the following reasons:

1. The impact of PM2.5 emissions can increase air pollution affecting the environment, wildlife and health of residents, particularly the young and old. These fine particle emissions have been associated with premature mortality and other serious health effects and may be in violation of the EPA's Clean Air Act.
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Sincerely,

Charles Foust Rita Foust

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March 21, 2009
Larry Bueler, Project Manager
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Mr. Bueler - Astma, pleurisy and beginning COPD cause me a lot of pain. This plant will increase pain for me and others. Please act for us. Rita Foust

Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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Please maintain and protect our environment!

Sincerely,

Rita Foust (Rita Foust)
Charles Foust (Charles Foust)
2315 Cedar Grove
New Braunfels, TX 78132

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New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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Sincerely,

Merri Fretwell

Merri and Marc Fretwell
463 FM 1863
New Braunfels, TX 78132
830-822-1347

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Re: Aggregate Industries/Holcim proposed rock quarry on FM 482 in Comal County

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Dear Sirs,

I am strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482. I live at 630 Coyote Run, approximately five miles from the proposed plant and already have to deal with Hanson rock quarry that is approximately 3 miles from my home. Currently we deal with trucks that throw rock on your windshield, dust and speeding trucks that dominate our area. We are all too familiar with the effects of a rock quarry. Hanson was already here when we purchased our property and built our home and I understand the attitude of *they were there first*, however with this proposed rock quarry, we were here first!!!

I request a contested case hearing and public meeting. Our local area already suffers from emissions that pollute the air we breath. I have a 15 year old who will be driving next year and fear for his safety on FM 482 and surrounding roads due to the dangers and speeds of heavy loaded down trucks.

Do we really need another rock quarry in New Braunfels? I am personally a right wing capitalists and don't use the term corporate greed lightly. I realize these companies bring jobs and revenue to the local area but enough is enough!! Get your gravel from somewhere else! New Braunfels can not supply the world with gravel and cement!!

Sincerely,

Kay Friesenhahn

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home – 830-606-1616

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Sincerely,

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Phone No: 830-625-1833
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Sincerely, Jesse Jr Gonzalez

Name: Jesse Gonzalez Jr
Address: 118 Mitimen Cir
Phone No: 830-624-2257

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Name: Sarah Gonzales
Address: 118 Mittman Circle
Phone No: 830-624-2257

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Do you need help?

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Name Nancy & Phil Goodart

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Name David & Sheree Gordon

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Phone Garden Ridge, TX 78266

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Sincerely,

Name: Dr. Barbara Gressler
Address: 529 Oak Grove
New Braunfels, Tex. 78132
Phone No: 830-609-5574

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To Whom It May Concern: Air Permit 83755

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I would like to request a public meeting and contested case hearing.

Sincerely,

Ronald R. Hagelman Jr.

Ronald R. Hagelman Jr. CSA, CLTC, LTCP
President
156 N. Solms Road
New Braunfels, Texas 78132

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PUBCOMMENT-OCC2 - Re: Fwd: Public comment on Permit Number 83755

From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC2
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REGULATED ENTY NAMENEW BRAUNFELS ROCK CRUSHING PLANT
RN NUMBER:RN105431662
PERMIT NUMBER:83755
DOCKET NUMBER: Not Found
COUNTY:COMAL
PRINCIPAL NAME:AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES-WCR INC
CN NUMBER:CN603300625
FROM
NAME: Ronald Hagelman Jr.
E-MAIL:

COMPANY:
ADDRESS:PO BOX 310724
NEW BRAUNFELS TX78131-0724
PHONE:830-620-4066
FAX:830-620-1020
COMMENTS:I am Two Miles from the proposed new Rock Quarry permit number #83755 I am directly affected by your decision in several important areas. 1) First, as promised, you have clearly not done sufficient due diligence on the corporate owners of the operation. Aggregate Industries is a wholly owned subsidiary of Holcim. The fact that Aggregate Industries may not have a poor environmental and regulatory history is totally irrelevant. The owner, management and corporate responsibility holder is a well-known and well documented serial polluter in Texas and Nationally. Pierce the corporate veil, it is tissue paper thin !! Are you willing to take full responsibility for knowingly placing a legendary international company known for its disregard of environmental regulations in our backyard? 2) Your engineers have made their environmental decisions in a vacuum. It is not just an academic Ivory Tower decision, it appears to originate from an abandoned wind tunnel in a sealed bubble in deep space. You have completely ignored the cumulative effect of the addition of these new particulates to an ever-growing symphony of particulates from all the other Quarries in the area including the monstrous CEMEX next door. We do not wish to be part of a computer model simulation built on a sterile Computer program by people who will not suffer the direct result of your cavalier decisions. 3) And last but not least, in our minds we ask for your acceptance of this simple and profound revelation and environmental law; decisions are interrelated. Yes, you are only responsible for Air. However your decisions on this narrow and extremely limited basis will affect so much more. By their own estimates 300 more trucks per day added into the current excessive volume, over 100,000 trucks per year, 3 million over the life of the Quarry will be indiscriminately poured into our community,. And an additional 2000 long and dusty trains through the middle of New Braunfels per year. Your decision will unleash this Environmental Tsunami on our daily lives, and you will move on to the next air permit. 4) I just cant find any benefit, no new taxes, very few jobs, air pollution, noise pollution, water wastage, traffic nightmare and a known bad Corporate Actor. Who benefits? No one wants this except those few in Switzerland who will profit and never even visit Texas. 5) I live at the corner of FM 482 and Solms Road, where currently all the traffic is scheduled to proceed. This will destroy my property value, endanger my family and further pollute my life. I am not just asking for your help, I am begging for your mercy!!!

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TCEQ Public Meeting Form

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

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Aggregate Industries – WCR, Inc.
Proposed Air Quality Permit No. 83755

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: RON Hagelman

Mailing Address: 156 N. Solms

Physical Address (if different):

City/State: New Braunfels TX Zip: 78132

Phone: (830) 620-0307

☑ Please add me to the mailing list.

Are you here today representing a municipality, legislator, agency, or group? ☑ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which one? S.A.F.E.

IF YOU WANT TO GIVE FORMAL COMMENT PLEASE ✓ BELOW

☑ I wish to provide formal oral comments.

☐ I wish to provide formal written comments at tonight's public meeting.
(Written comments may be submitted at any time during the meeting)

Please give this to the person at the information table. Thank you.

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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Sincerely,

Name: Elsie Haggerty
Address: 2209 Cedar Grove
Phone No: (830) 609-2779
New Braunfels, TX 78132

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Sincerely, Loyd N Haggerty

Name: Loyd N Haggerty
Address: 2209 Cedar Grove
Phone No: 830-609-2779

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

Dear Mr. Bueler:

The purpose of this letter is to protest Aggregate, Industries obtaining **Air Quality Permit No. 83755**. I am a resident of Comal County in *Mission Valley Estates* on FM 1863 in New Braunfels, TX. My neighborhood is approximately 2.3 statute miles from the proposed rock crushing quarry at 5900 FM 482. I strongly object to the construction of this new facility for the following reasons:

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3. It is estimated that 275-350 trucks, <u>each</u> weighing **25-40 TONS** will run daily. These trucks will all be **<u>non-point sources</u>** of air pollution. These trucks will not be monitored by TCEQ, or any other public health professional.
4. Public health issues from the excessive quarry dust and soot, will impact breathing: ie.shortness of breathe, wheezing, coughing, headaches, nausea, lung and throat irritation. This additional traffic will cause increased air pollution, road maintenance and possibility dramatic accidents and fatalities. Interstatel-35 was recently shut down for six (6) hours due to an overturned cement truck!
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Sincerely, Especially Concerned about this!
Loyd + Elvie Haggerty
2209 Cedar Grove
New Braunfels, Tx. 78132

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Name Leon + Linda Haisten

Address 9118 Pierce Massie, Garden Ridge, TX

Phone 830-980-3192

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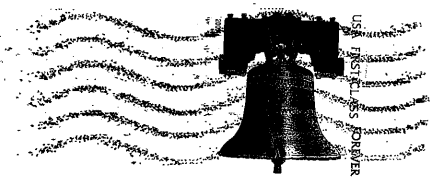

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Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
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Re: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482.

We in this area already suffer from the emissions from current aggregate businesses. These particulate matter emissions can adversely impact the health of my family and neighbors. This proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary School where children play outside daily. The additional truck traffic and air emissions is not conducive to their safety.

I request a contested case hearing and public meeting. We do not need another quarry in New Braunfels.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Hales Jr

Jack Hales, Jr.
June 17, 2008

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Same effects as earthquake tremors.

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Name Brenda Hallford

Address 20024 Vickery Bend

Phone 210-651-9600

Email

Garden Ridge residents suffer from nearby quarry blasts that shake the ground; create cracks in sheetrock + tile; artwork hangs askew.

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Address 9418 Blazing Star Trl GARDEN RIDGE TX

Phone 210 651 6611

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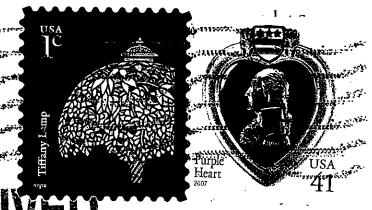

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To Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105

Ref Air Quality Permit No. 83755

Holcim Inc. - Lock Crushing Plant
& Quarry @ 5900 FM. 482
New Braunfels Texas 78132

From Mr. & Mrs. Henry L. Hand & Family
28820 Countryside Dr.
New Braunfels, TX. 78132

We have lived at this address for 35+ yrs. - We have suffered cracks from the blasting to our home and property - Pollutions from the emissions and impacted by the truck traffic on F.M. roads that were never meant for that kind of use.

We are both in our 70's and Mr. Hand suffers from a lung condition caused by a clot to his lungs - He is on breathing medication several times a day.

So you understand we are very strongly opposed to another quarry and aggregate plant along the Escarpment South of New Braunfels + within 5 miles of our

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Home. Two of our children
went to school at Comal Elem.
and it will only be 1.3 miles
from the plant if this is
allowed.

Just looking at the impact
on the environment of the
Escarpment from I-35 should
open anyone's eyes why another
quarry and plant are not
needed in New Braunfels.

We go along with our neigh-
bors, requesting a contested
case hearing & public meeting.

Sincerely,

Henry & Barbara Hand

Mr. Henry Hand
28820 Countryside Dr.
New Braunfels, TX 78132

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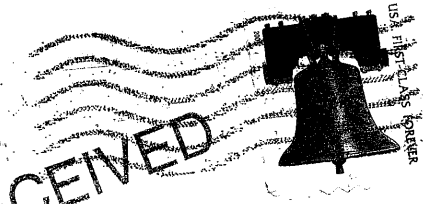

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PO Box 13087
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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

Dear Sir or Madam:

My family and I are residents of New Braunfels, Texas. We live no more than three miles from the proposed rock quarry. We are strongly opposed to the Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482 for the following reasons:

- We already suffer from emissions from current aggregate businesses in the area. Our porches, vehicles, landscaping and inside our home .
- The pollution which causes our allergies to worsen is a constant problem.
- We already have much more truck traffic in our area from existing quarries that causes congestion on the highways and dirt and dust. Additional truck traffic would be unbearable.

Accordingly, I request a contested case hearing and public meeting.

Sincerely,

Jerry D Harlan

Jerry D. Harlan
614 Forest Ridge Ln
New Braunfels, Tx 78130
830-627-8011

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Phone (210) - 655 - 6950

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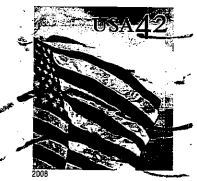

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5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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One thing we have discovered is that fighting a rock quarry can be a long and complicated process. Many have asked what the game plan is and how they can help. Below are a few of the next steps. Hopefully, this will get more people involved and be informative.

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How you can help (Check any that you are willing to do):

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
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5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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Sincerely,

Pam Holmes

Name: Pam Holmes
Address: 510 Oak Grove NB TX 78132
Phone No: 830-609-1082

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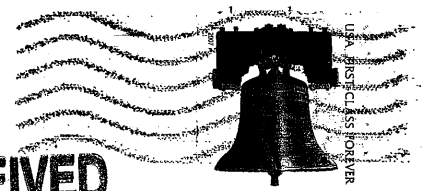

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Sincerely,

Suzunn C. Jackson

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New Braunfels, Texas 78132
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By granting AQ permit # 83755 to Aggregate Inc TCEQ is knowingly allowing Holcim to contaminate our air quality via "TRESPASS & NUISANCE".

Sincerely,

Suz Jackson

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Suzann Rosenberg Jackson
2331 ROCK GROVE
New Braunfels, TX 78132

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TCEQ Public Meeting Form

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

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Aggregate Industries – WCR, Inc.
Proposed Air Quality Permit No. 83755

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: SUZ ROSENBERG JACKSON

Mailing Address: 2331 ROCK GROVE

Physical Address (if different):

City/State: N.B Zip: 78132

Phone: (409 761. 0108

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Aggregate Industries – WCR, Inc.
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PLEASE PRINT:

Name: William Jackson

Mailing Address: 2331 Rock Grove

Physical Address (if different):

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Sincerely,

Beverly Johnson

Beverly Johnson
513 Oak Grove, New Braunfels, TX 78132
830-606-4704

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Sincerely,

Beverly Johnson

June 16, 2008

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
2008 JUN 18 AM 9:47
CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

Dear Mr. Bueler:

The purpose of this letter is to request a public meeting and contested case hearing on Air Quality Permit No. 83755. I am a 12 year resident of Comal County and my home is approximately 2 statute miles from the proposed rock crushing quarry at 5900 FM 482. I strongly object to the construction of this new facility for the following reasons:

1. The impact of PM2.5 emissions can increase air pollution affecting the environment, wildlife and health of residents, particularly the young and old. The decreased air quality caused by the fine particle emissions may increase the severe airborne allergies suffered by myself and my 2 young daughters and may be in violation of the EPA's Clean Air Act.
2. The proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside on a daily basis and increased byproduct emissions and increased truck traffic is not conducive to the children's health and personal safety.
3. Vibrations from blasting can cause damage to residential and commercial foundations, already occurring in my neighborhood from the existing quarries, adding costly repairs and significantly decreasing property values. Also, the structural integrity and preservation of Natural Bridge Caverns located 4 statute miles from quarry and other natural landmarks may be compromised by the continuous blasting.
4. It is estimated that 100 trucks will run daily. This additional traffic will cause increased congestion, air pollution, road maintenance and possibility for accidents and fatalities.
5. The Balcones Escarpment Fault Zone, Edwards Aquifer and its recharge zones located in this area may be negatively impacted by blasting. My water well and septic system may be affected by blasting compromising my family's drinking water.
6. Blasting is felt and heard daily by the existing quarries and this may be significantly increased by the operation of a new facility. New Braunfels Code of Ordinance 2003-34, Sec. 82.9 Noise Prohibitions may be in violation due to the nuisance of facility operations.

It is my understanding that the TCEQ was responsible for maintaining and protecting our environment, not knowingly and intentionally destroying our air and the safety of my family and other residents in Comal County.

Sincerely,

Dennis Johnson
513 Oak Grove, New Braunfels, TX 78132
830-606-4704

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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March 10, 2009
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P.O. Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

Dear Mr. Bueler:

The purpose of this letter is to protest Aggregate, Industries obtaining **Air Quality Permit No. 83755**. I am a resident of Comal County in *Mission Valley Estates* on FM 1863 in New Braunfels, TX. My neighborhood is approximately 2.3 statute miles from the proposed rock crushing quarry at 5900 FM 482. I strongly object to the construction of this new facility for the following reasons:

1. The impact of PM2.5 airborne particulate emissions can increase air pollution affecting the environment, wildlife and health of residents, particularly the young and old. These fine particle emissions have been associated with premature mortality and other serious health effects and may be in violation of the EPA's Clean Air Act.
2. The proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside on a daily basis. Increased by-product emissions and increased truck traffic is not conducive to the children's health and personal safety. Young lungs are especially at risk for developing respiratory problems due to excessive rock dust in the air surrounding their school.
3. It is estimated that 275-350 trucks, <u>each</u> weighing **25-40 TONS** will run daily. These trucks will all be **<u>non-point sources</u>** of air pollution. These trucks will not be monitored by TCEQ, or any other public health professional.
4. Public health issues from the excessive quarry dust and soot, will impact breathing: ie.shortness of breathe, wheezing, coughing, headaches, nausea, lung and throat irritation. This additional traffic will cause increased air pollution, road maintenance and possibility dramatic accidents and fatalities. Interstatel-35 was recently shut down for six (6) hours due to an overturned cement truck!
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Sincerely,

March 21, 2009

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

Dear Mr. Bueler:

The purpose of this letter is to request a public meeting and contested case hearing on Air Quality Permit No. 83755. I am a resident of Comal County in the Lewis Ranch Development in New Braunfels, TX. I strongly object to the construction of this new facility for the following reasons:

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2. The proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside on a daily basis and increased byproduct emissions and increased truck traffic is not conducive to the children's health and personal safety.
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Sincerely,

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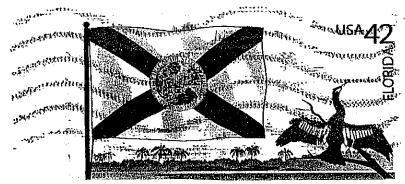

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
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New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

Dear Mr. Bueler:

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Sincerely,

Name: Richard H Kensing & Mary L. Kensing
Address: 506 Oak Grove
N.B. Texas 78132
Phone No: (830) 625-9488

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As residents of Comal County, we oppose Holcim Inc.'s attempt to build a new quarry here and urge all state and federal officials to reject it. We believe all permits should be denied and ask for a public hearing for each permit. We are concerned about threats to water quality, and believe another gaping hole over the Edwards aquifer so close to Cemex poses a threat to aquifer recharge. We also believe the presence of the endangered golden cheeked warbler should be taken into consideration. The destruction of this songbird's habitat to dig another quarry robs the Hill Country of the character that makes the area desirable.

We believe that another quarry would adversely affect our quality of life. **As Texans, we do not want our private property rights violated by more blasting, dust, dangerous trucks, and traffic.** There are already two quarries close to the newly proposed quarry and that is enough.

Name IRENE KLEIN

Address 20921 FM 3009, GARDEN RIDGE, TX 78266

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New Braunfels, TX 78130

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2008 OCT 16 AM 10:57
CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE

Dear Mr. Bueler:

The purpose of this letter is to request a public meeting and contested case hearing on Air Quality Permit No. 83755. I am a resident of High Chaparral sub-division, FM 1863 and Countryside Drive, in New Braunfels, TX and my neighborhood is approximately 1.5 statute miles from the proposed rock crushing quarry at 5900 FM 482. I strongly object to the construction of this new facility for the following reasons:

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Sincerely,
Stephen Langelier
Stephen & Karen Langelier
28405 Oak Creek Drive, New Braunfels Texas 78132

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Name Georgia A. LeBlanc

Address 20011 Hickory Bend

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Name JAMES W. LEE

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Phone (210) 860-7060

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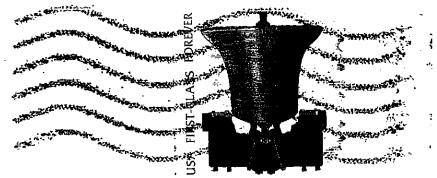

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Name Robert H. Lee

Address 9406 Goldenrod Lane

Phone 210 651 9272

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5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
2008 JUN 23 AM 10:09
CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

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Sincerely, Jeanette Loomis

Name: Jeanette Loomis
Address: 505 Oak Grove, New Braunfels, TX 78132
Phone No: 830-625-4661

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Sincerely, Troy L Looms

Name: TROY LOOMS
Address: 505 Oak Grove, New Braunfels, TX 78132
Phone No: 830-625-4661

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Name Tim Lowe

Address 9495 Miller Lane

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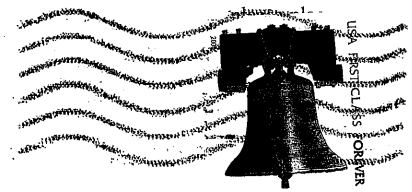

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Name John & Lustila

Address 9408 Bluebell, Garden Ridge

Phone 210 651-6312

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CN NUMBER:CN603300625
FROM
NAME: Joanna Lybrand
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PHONE:
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COMMENTS:I am opposed to the Rock crushing Plant and do not wish for TCEQ to issue a permit to Holcim,Inc. J. Lybrand

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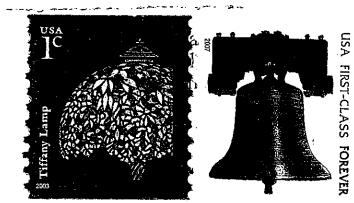

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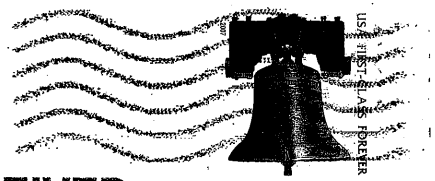

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Craig & Teresa McKee
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July 5, 2008

Attn: Mr. Larry Bueler
Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
PO Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

Dear Mr. Larry Bueler:

We are strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482. We request a contested case hearing and public meeting. We will be affected in a manner different from the general public because we live approximately 1 mile from the location of this proposed plant. Our children attend Comal Elementary school 1.3 miles from this plant. This proposed plant and the current aggregate businesses impact our family in the following ways:

- Additional truck traffic and air emissions near the elementary school where children play outside daily is not conducive to their safety
- Given the rural setting, current truck traffic "race" past our children's school and our neighborhood – it is well known that this area is not patrolled frequently by law enforcement. Additional truck traffic will increase the risk of a serious accident involving a school bus or child being driven to or from school.
- An elderly relative living less than a mile from one of the other aggregate businesses in the area has replaced his mailbox twice after aggregate hauling trucks ran over it, in both instances they did not even stop they just kept barreling down the road (law enforcement was contacted, filed a report and said they could do nothing). The same trucks have also driven over stop signs and street signs next to the road.
- Our quality of life is already negatively impacted by the truck traffic already in our area. Additional truck traffic would be unbearable.
- The particulate matter emissions can impact health and we are concerned for the health of our family and neighbors.
- We already have to deal with noise, air, and light pollution from the existing aggregate businesses that are located further away from our home. If this proposed plant is allowed to proceed, all of this pollution will increase. Not only will our daily life be impacted, but our property values will also be diminished.

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- What impact will this proposed plant have on our water supply for the area? What safeguards and assurances will be in place to make sure this operation does not pollute the aquifer?
- Although this proposed plant will reportedly bring dozens of new jobs to the area, additional quarry operations have the potential to cost numerous jobs as well. Much of the business in New Braunfels relies on the tourist industry. These quarry operations not only impact us in the neighborhood, but also make an impression to those visitors traveling into New Braunfels from San Antonio on IH 35. It is not very appealing to watch the dust clouds coming out of these quarries on windy days. It is becoming a corridor of filth.
- Why is another quarry being considered in the New Braunfels area? Given the number of aggregate plants in the area, is this really necessary?

Thank you for your time and consideration. If you have additional questions you may contact us at 830-624-0625.

Sincerely,

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New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

Dear Mr. Bueler:

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2. The proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside on a daily basis and increased byproduct emissions and increased truck traffic is not conducive to the children's health and personal safety.
3. Vibrations from blasting can cause damage to residential and commercial foundations, already occurring with existing quarries, significantly decreasing property values. Also, the structural integrity and preservation of Natural Bridge Caverns 4 statute miles from quarry and other natural landmarks may be compromised by the continuous blasting.
4. It is estimated that 100 trucks will run daily. This additional traffic will cause increased congestion, air pollution, road maintenance and possibility for accidents and fatalities.
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6. New Braunfels Code of Ordinance 2003-34, Sec. 82.9 Noise Prohibitions may be in violated due to the nuisance of facility operations.

It is my understanding that the Texas Commission of Environment Quality was responsible for maintaining and protecting our environment, not knowingly and intentionally destroying our air and the safety of the children and residents in Comal County.

Sincerely,

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Phone No: (830) 609-2779
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3. It is estimated that 275-350 trucks, <u>each</u> weighing **25-40 TONS** will run daily. These trucks will all be **<u>non-point sources</u>** of air pollution. These trucks will not be monitored by TCEQ, or any other public health professional.
4. Public health issues from the excessive quarry dust and soot, will impact breathing: ie.shortness of breathe, wheezing, coughing, headaches, nausea, lung and throat irritation. This additional traffic will cause increased air pollution, road maintenance and possibility dramatic accidents and fatalities. Interstatel-35 was recently shut down for six (6) hours due to an overturned cement truck!
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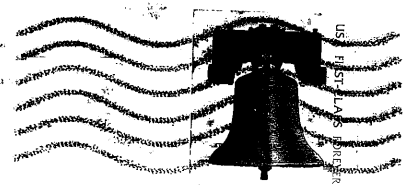

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TO: Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
ATTN: Larry Bueler, Project Manager
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
PO box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

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5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

Ann Morisey
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New Braunfels, TX 78132

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BY EB

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5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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SIGNATURE
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Mr. & Mrs. Charles E. Morisey
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Office of the Chief Clerk
MC-015 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
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Austin Texas, 78711-3087

Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
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New Braunfels,
Comal County Texas

To Whom It May Concern:

We are Barbara and Philip O'Connor, (830-632-9104) 656 Forest Ridge, New Braunfels, Texas 78130 and as the crow flies are less than 3 miles from the existing quarry and approximately 5 miles from the rock crushing facility that are in issue here.

We are strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482 and request a contested case hearing and public meeting. We in this area already suffer from the emissions from current aggregate businesses in the area. Our home has an above normal amount of dust particles (this observation is from the experience of fifty years of housekeeping in various cities and locations.) Our home seems to always be in need of dusting and we wonder how much of this powdered limestone is being breathed into our lungs and whether or not it will ultimately cause health issues for us as we become senior citizens.

Our quality of life is significantly impacted by the truck traffic already in the area. Loop 337 has heavy truck traffic as it is. Additional heavy truck traffic could only compromise the quality of life in our neighborhood.

My husband and I planned on retiring in New Braunfels because it was away from the pollution that the big cities have to deal with as a result of over-population issues. We are reconsidering this plan as we realize that our city is being overtaken by an entity that cares more for the underground resources than for the above ground citizenry.

Do we really need another quarry in New Braunfels?

Sincerely,

Barbara O'Connor

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Philip O'Connor

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Sincerely,

Name: DEBORAH Odom
Address: 2336 CEDAR GROVE, NB, 78132
Phone No: 210-831-7524

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Sincerely,

Name: Jerry N. Odom
Address: 2336 Cedar Grove, NB, 78132
Phone No: 210.831.7518

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Dennis Parma
824 Krueger Canyon
New Braunfels, TX 78132

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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July 16, 2008

Attn: Mr. Larry Bueler
Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
PO Box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

Dear Mr. Larry Bueler:

I am strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482. I request a contested case hearing and public meeting. I will be affected in a manner different from the general public because I live approximately 1 mile from the location of this proposed plant. This proposed plant and the current aggregate businesses impact my life in the following ways:

- I currently live less than a mile from one of the other aggregate businesses in the area. I have had to replace my mailbox twice after aggregate hauling trucks ran over it, in both instances they did not even stop they just kept barreling down the road (law enforcement was contacted, filed a report and said they could do nothing). The same trucks have also driven over stop signs and street signs next to the road. They have also thrown their trash on the side of the road in front of my property. I cannot even walk to my mailbox without risking getting run over.
- As noted above, my quality of life is already negatively impacted by the truck traffic. Additional truck traffic would be unbearable.
- The particulate matter emissions can impact health and I am concerned for the health of my family and neighbors. Some days the dust blowing from the current rock quarries make it impossible to sit out in my yard. I am retired, it is sad to work for years and then have your quality of life in retirement degraded by pollution from these operations.
- I am already living with noise, air, and light pollution from the existing aggregate businesses that are located close to my home. If this proposed plant is allowed to proceed, all of this pollution will increase. Not only will my daily life be impacted, but my property values will continue to be diminished.
- What impact will this proposed plant have on the water supply for the area? What safeguards and assurances will be in place to make sure this operation does not pollute the aquifer?
- Is all the pollution from this type of industry a good trade off for a couple of dozen jobs?
- Why is another quarry being considered in the New Braunfels area?

Thank you for your time and consideration. If you have additional questions you may contact me at 830-625-7607.

Sincerely,

Dennis Parma

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REF: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

To Whom It May Concern:

I am strongly opposed to the Aggregate Industries/Holcim proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482. My father and I live approximately one mile away from another rock quarry (the CEMEX Plant on Wald Rd.). To live near a rock quarry is to experience non-stop pollution from the dust in the air, streets and roads torn apart from the truck traffic, damage to the house and porch foundation from the almost daily blasting, and the constant noise from the plant itself as it runs 24 hours a day.

The dust coats everything on our property. When windy, the ensuing dust storm generated by the plant makes it impossible to be outside. The trucks have torn huge pot holes in once smooth roads and have twice run over our street signs and once run over our mail box (which we replaced at our own expense). When people visit our home, they always comment on the noise level of the plant. To feel the entire house shake during a blasting episode is another experience altogether.

I am at a loss as to why another rock quarry is even needed in this area. With growing concerns about the environment, it seems clear that to allow another business to pollute our air, use up our water supply, show disregard for traffic safety and the state of our streets, and devastate acres and acres of natural landscape with explosives is not being responsible to our current or future community.

I request a contested case hearing and public meeting. Our quality of life has already been impacted for years and to allow things to get even worse by the presence of a new rock quarry is unacceptable.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Parma

Maggie Parma
824 Krueger Canyon
New Braunfels, TX 78132

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From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC2
To: PUBCOMMENT-APD
CC: PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC
Date: 3/25/2009 2:08 PM
Subject: Re: Fwd: Public comment on Permit Number 83755
Place: PUBCOMMENT-APD

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PERMIT NUMBER:83755
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PRINCIPAL NAME:AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES-WCR INC
CN NUMBER:CN603300625
FROM
NAME: Maggie Parma

COMPANY:
ADDRESS:824 KRUEGER CYN
NEW BRAUNFELS TX78132-4533
PHONE:830-625-7607
FAX:
COMMENTS:I live with my elderly father, Dennis Parma, approximately one mile down the road from the Cemex plant. If Aggregate Industries has their way, we will live within a similar distance from their plant as well. We endure daily and constant air pollution from the dust and dirt produced by Cemex. When the day is windy the air quality is on the same level as that from the Dust Bowl days; it is impossible to be outside and breathe without leaving a coating of dirt around your nostrils. And now we are faced with the possibility of being sandwiched between two such plants. I can't imagine tolerating more filth in the air and films of dust on our vehicles and homes and having clouds of dust kicked up with every step through the grass as we do now but on a larger scale. In addition, this new plant will increase 18-wheeler traffic (by Aggregate Industries own estimate on the March 10, 2009 meeting in New Braunfels) from 200 to 375 trucks PER DAY. The emissions from these trucks including the dust and chemicals they will transport on their daily routes through our small country roads (one of which runs by Comal

Elementary) will spread further air pollution in our community not to mention increasing the potholes in the streets, the wear on our bridges (one of which is directly in front of our home) and the danger to our residents and our children who will have to share the roads with these massive trucks. Another rock crushing plant also means more blasting and more cracks to our walls and foundation (which in our home has already been repaired once and has developed new cracks since). Despite the statments made by an Aggregate Industries' representative at the March 10th meeting, blasting does indeed damage structures. Imagine experiencing a small earthquake every single day and then justify that this will not cause damage to a home over time. There is also a gas line that runs up the hill next to our home. The location of this new plant will surely impact the integrity of this structure and subsequently the safety of our community. Finally, just down the hill and directly in front of our residence is a street sign: "Edwards Recharge Zone." The new plant will rest right on top of one of our most precious resources, our water supply. I think we have a responsibility to protect our natural resources, not place them in danger of being contaminated. I strongly urge you to seriously consider the impact this plant will have on our community and our resources not just now but in the future when we as a community will have to bear the costs, physically and financially, of its operation. If it is your duty to protect our environment, then you have an opportunity to do just that and prevent this corporation from building where it is absolutely not wanted, absolutely not needed and absolutely a threat to our environment and daily standard of living.

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Diane Pepin
452 Robin Lane
New Braunfels, Tx 78132

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755

Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Tx 78130

This is to let TCEQ know that I am strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant on 5900 FM 482.

This area already has numerous rock quarries which are polluting the air, water and land.

I would like to request a contested case hearing and public meeting in regard to this proposed plant.

We are already suffering from the emissions from the aggregate businesses in the area. The emissions from these plants are dangerous for the health of people especially the young children and the older adults. This new business would be located only 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary School. Just think what a bad effect this may have on the health of these children as they play in the school yard. They will be running around ingesting the dust from the rock quarry blasts.

The dust from these plants ends up in our water supply. It also covers our homes and cars.

This plant would also add additional truck traffic in the area.

The blasts actually make my mirror collection go crooked on the walls of my living area. The blasts also cause cracks in foundations and walls in our homes. This effects our quality of life.

I really don't see the need for another rock quarry in New Braunfels.

Sincerely,

Diane Pepin

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Name MARGARET PIERCE

Address 26007 NATURAL BRIDGE

Phone 830-980-4890 CAVERNS RD

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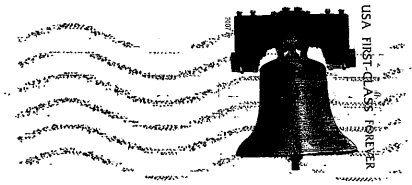

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AT PUBLIC MEETING

Comal Residents for Rural Heritage
1551 N. Walnut, STE 13, Box 245
New Braunfels, TX 78130

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BY KY

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Therese L. Platts
9115 Blue Point
New Braunfels, TX> 78132

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Thank you,

Therese Platts 3/14/09

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Phone 210 651 6411

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June 16, 2008

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As residents of Comal County, we oppose Holcim Inc.'s attempt to build a new quarry here and urge all state and federal officials to reject it. We believe all permits should be denied and ask for a public hearing for each permit. We are concerned about threats to water quality, and believe another gaping hole over the Edwards aquifer so close to Cemex poses a threat to aquifer recharge. We also believe the presence of the endangered golden cheeked warbler should be taken into consideration. The destruction of this songbird's habitat to dig another quarry robs the Hill Country of the character that makes the area desirable.

We believe that another quarry would adversely affect our quality of life. **As Texans, we do not want our private property rights violated by more blasting, dust, dangerous trucks, and traffic.** There are already two quarries close to the newly proposed quarry and that is enough.

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Having this additional rock crushing plant will also create more emissions from combustion engines, truck and railcars. Again when combined with the other existing operations and proximity to IH 35 suggests that we can expect more air quality alert days and further endanger the ozone.

Of course the dust from stockpiles is another major concern that will directly affect the environment in our area. How will saturation requirements and dust prevention be met, especially during times of water restrictions? How much water will the plant be using and what will be the impact on the local springs and water table?

In addition to our environmental and health concerns, we understand that exceptions have been made to the stack height requirements. Why? This company should operate within the 45-foot height requirement. This requirement should also be enforced at all quarries in the surrounding areas.

As an aside, the rural road (FM 482) on which this plant will be situation is also recognized as a National Historical Trail. Today it is used regularly by cyclists who enjoy

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Thank you for the opportunity again to express our concerns regarding this proposed permit. We hope our concerns, along with others received, will be heavily considered and a decision made to not approve the permit. Since we are directly affected by this proposed rock crushing plant, we also request a contested case hearing. Following is information requested:

(1) Dwight and Sandra Reeh
5887 FM 482
New Braunfels, Texas 78132
Daytime phone number: 830-625-1948
No fax number

(2) Applicant's name: Aggregate Industries - WCR, Inc.
Permit Number: 83755

(3) "We request a contested case hearing."

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(5) Our residence/home is located directly south of the proposed plant--less than half a mile.

(6) Our residence and land is used for agricultural purposes to raise cattle and hay.

Concerned Residents,
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June 13, 2008

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RE: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant to be located @ 5900 FM 482; New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Janis Rosebush. I am a live-in caregiver for my 93-year old widowed mother Lee Rosebush at 7 Ridge Drive in New Braunfels, Texas. My parents have lived in this house for 35 years. Our house is within a 2-3 mile radius of the proposed facility. We can be reached at home at (830) 606-7331 or my business cell phone (830) 822-8172.

I am a licensed massage therapist. I make all efforts to stay away from smoke-filled rooms for myself and my clients who have breathing difficulties. I am acutely aware of air quality and it's affects on the human body. My mother loves fresh air and saving electricity. Weather permitting, our windows and doors are open throughout the day and our attic fan is on. The negative impact from this facility would significantly decrease our community's quality of air to breath.

My request is to hold a public hearing, as well as a contested case hearing (either or both) against the above mentioned Air Quality Permit No. 83755. I don't want New Braunfels to change from our resort community into an industrial one. I intend to oppose any future permits that would increase truck and train traffic, dust and air pollutants, pollutants to drinking or recreational waters, as well as blasting noises which will certainly occur.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

The Touch of a Rose,
Janis Rosebush
Janis Rosebush, LMT

Cc: Senator Jeff Wentworth
Representative Doug Miller

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TCEQ Public Meeting Form

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

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Aggregate Industries – WCR, Inc.
Proposed Air Quality Permit No. 83755

PLEASE PRINT:

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☐ Please add me to the mailing list.

Are you here today representing a municipality, legislator, agency, or group? ☑ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which one? DAR

IF YOU WANT TO GIVE FORMAL COMMENT PLEASE ✓ BELOW

☑ I wish to provide formal oral comments.

☐ I wish to provide formal written comments at tonight's public meeting.

(Written comments may be submitted at any time during the meeting)

Please give this to the person at the information table. Thank you.

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One thing we have discovered is that fighting a rock quarry can be a long and complicated process. Many have asked what the game plan is and how they can help. Below are a few of the next steps. Hopefully, this will get more people involved and be informative.

1. Get to 1000 petition signatures and send letters to all local, state, and federal officials with petitions attached. We are currently at more than 800 petition signatures.

2. Put pressure on US Fish and Wildlife Service to use their authority to stop or delay quarry operations on environmental grounds – golden cheeked warbler and threat to Comal Springs.

3. Monitor permits applied for by Holcim with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). There are currently no outstanding permits.

4. Press for commitments from candidates for state representative, Doug Miller and Daniel Boone, to take up our cause and not bow to quarry special interests. They need to commit to aggressively lobby TCEQ to reject any future permits and demand a public meeting in Comal County.

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How you can help (Check any that you are willing to do):

_____ Write a letter to the editor

_____ Get additional petition signatures from your family and neighbors

_____ Meet with US Fish and Wildlife officials

_____ Call elected officials or agency officials

_____ Be on the steering committee for the Comal Residents for Rural Heritage or take a leadership position with the group

_____ Speak to the media regarding our quarry fight

✓ Attend our next meeting

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Ref:

Air Quality Permit No.83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482,
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas 78132

I am strongly opposed to AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES / HOLCIM proposed Rock Crushing Plant at 5900 FM 482 New Braunfels Tx. I owe my home, I have lived on this property for some 73 years *now*, there are 2 limestone rock quarry with in less then 1.1/4 miles and in 4 miles to the west is another limestone rock quarry.

This AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES / HOLCIM proposed LIMESTONE ROCK CRUSHING QUARRY is only 1.1/2 miles from my home.

Now that I am nearing 75 years old, my health is failing. My sisters and brother have many health issue as well, they are younger then I. I am not saying quarry dust is the cause but I am apposed to any additional release of quarry dust. The current dust in the air is tolerable I fear that more dust will greatly affect our quality of life.

The Comal Elementary School (grades- per school to 5th grade) where my grandchildren presently attend is only 1.3 miles from this proposed Rock Quarry and only about 2.1/2 miles from anther rock quarry. The air emissions and the additional truck traffic is not conducive to their health and their well being.

I would like to request a public meeting and or a contested case hearing.

THANK YOU

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REF: Proposed Air Quality Permit No. 83755, Rock Crushing Plant, at 5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas; Applicant is Aggregate Industries – WCR

I am strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries (AI) proposed rock crushing plant, cement distribution facility, secondary plant, truck and railcar load facilities, and any and all related processes at the proposed location (collectively, the proposed AI operations). I own over 28 acres and two houses, barns and other structures located south of FM 482 at 6045 FM 482 and 6025 FM 482 (see snapshots below).

Due to the location of my property (some directly across from AI's facility), I would be directly affected by emissions and contaminants from the rock crushing plant and the proposed AI operations, the increased truck and railcar traffic, and many, many nuisances.

My property, like some of my neighbors, is "Family Land Heritage Property" as designated by the Texas Department of Agriculture. It has been farmed and ranched by our family for over 100 years. I am very concerned about the damaging effects the proposed operations will have on grasses, cropland, and gardens and on the livestock grazing my property. Will these agricultural activities suffer from emissions and contaminants and be put at danger from the onslaught of more truck and rail traffic. Will the cow/calf operations be disturbed and no longer successful?

My two houses are older country homes and, as typical, do not have central air conditioning. Window coolers are used during extremely warm temperatures, but for the most part, cooling is provided by the country breeze going through open windows. In that regard, emissions and pollutants will travel directly into the homes and will adversely affect residents, day or night. Among other things, residents will also suffer from noise, lights, blasting, odors and other nuisances, from increased truck and rail traffic, and from the view of huge industrial operations and towering stockpiles (some exceeding height standards). This area already suffers from the adverse effect of existing aggregate businesses, and I fear that the addition of the massive proposed AI operations will ultimately make this area unsafe and undesirable to live in. Homesteads could be destroyed and financial losses incurred. Since this is the first 24/7 operation proposed on FM 482, let's be mindful of history and not repeat it by destroying homes and the quality of life, as evident on nearby Wald Road.

The sole source of water for residents and livestock on my property is provided by a well located north of FM 482, on property owned by Timothy and Sharlene Fey. Since this well is even closer to the proposed AI operations and existing Dean Word operations, I am fearful that my water supply will be jeopardized. Will our groundwater be subject to contamination from seepage of industrial run-off, ponds, drainage and fuel spills? Will it be negatively impacted by high levels of blasting? And, will my supply of water flat run out because of the huge amount of water to be used in the AI operations? Will water be available to minimize dust from stockpiles and the proposed AI operations?

I am also very concerned about fugitive dust. Will it cover the yellow, highway stripes and make FM 482 unsafe? Will it damage grasses, croplands, and livestock? Will complaints be addressed in a timely manner or will the suffering be prolonged? In addition, I am very concerned about endangered species and other wildlife prevalent in this area. Will their habitat and water resources be destroyed?

My initial reaction to the proposed secondary plant was disbelief! This plant will be in the flood plain of the Dry Comal Creek. I fear that any structures, such as railroad tracks, embankments, and parked railcars, could impede the flow of the creek. Twice in my life, in 1972 and 1998, I was forced to evacuate my home because of flood waters of the Dry Comal Creek. At a quick glance of my property, it may seem unbelievable, but I would be willing to share photographs and information. I am also concerned about pollutants flowing into the Dry Comal Creek, such as from retention ponds, drainage, and spills. Although building in the flood plain is a County Engineer and FEMA issue, I believe it is an important factor to consider when evaluating AI's overall responsibleness and practicability (or perhaps lack thereof) of their proposal, including the rock crusher. AI's proposal is just too huge and aggressive for this area, so please re-evaluate it carefully and cautiously.

I have had high blood pressures for years, and then suffered a stroke which led to major respiratory issues. I had to use a ventilator to breathe. After extended hospital stays, I entered a nursing/rehabilitation facility where I received respiratory, speech, occupational, and physical therapy. After approximately seven months, I was weaned from the ventilator and my tracheotomy device was eventually removed. I am now able to breathe room air on my own! Nasal oxygen support is rarely needed. I receive regular breathing treatments. My recovery has been miraculous (even the doctors say

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so). After months of working towards this recovery and incurring substantial costs, I fear that my health would be jeopardized upon my return home. The massive aggregate operation and all its related emissions, traffic, and nuisances so close to my home would be extremely detrimental to my well-being. Please keep my homestead and environment safe.

I appreciate your attention to my comments and look forward to your responses. I do request a contested case hearing. Thank you.

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

We are strongly opposed to the Aggregate Industries/Holcim proposed rock quarry and cement distribution facility at 5900 FM 482 in Comal County. It will be 3.5 miles from our home, and we are surrounded by these quarries as it is.

Please help us stop the economic and ecological damage caused by blasting, dust, and increased heavy truck traffic, and to protect our health and property values, our quality of life, and the safety of our children.

We request a contested case hearing and public meeting. We in this area already suffer from the emissions from current aggregate businesses in the area. These particulate matter emissions can impact health, and I am concerned for the health of my family and neighbors. These emissions can be particularly dangerous on younger and older populations.

This proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside daily. The additional truck traffic and air emissions are not conducive to their safety. Our quality of life is significantly impacted by the truck traffic already in the area. Any additional truck traffic would be unbearable.

The pollution we currently have to deal with: dust in and outside our home, dust on cars, environmental damage, cracks in homes, etc.

Do we really need another quarry in New Braunfels? We are sure we don't!

Sincerely,

Jim + Roxanne Salinas

Jim and Roxanne Salinas

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Petition

As residents of Comal County, we oppose Holcim Inc.'s attempt to build a new quarry here and urge all state and federal officials to reject it. We believe all permits should be denied and ask for a public hearing for each permit. We are concerned about threats to water quality, and believe another gaping hole over the Edwards aquifer so close to Cemex poses a threat to aquifer recharge. We also believe the presence of the endangered golden cheeked warbler should be taken into consideration. The destruction of this songbird's habitat to dig another quarry robs the Hill Country of the character that makes the area desirable.

We believe that another quarry would adversely affect our quality of life. **As Texans, we do not want our private property rights violated by more blasting, dust, dangerous trucks, and traffic.** There are already two quarries close to the newly proposed quarry and that is enough.

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New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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It is my understanding that the Texas Commission of Environment Quality was responsible for maintaining and protecting our environment, not knowingly and intentionally destroying our air and the safety of the children and residents in Comal County.

Sincerely, H. A. Schlameus

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Sincerely,

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CHIEF CLERKS OFFICE

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Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755 June 17, 2008

Dear commission on Environmental Quality,

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

My wife and I are strongly opposed to the to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482 and request a contested case and hearing and public hearing. We have a number of other industries in this area that are already causing dust pollution, noise pollution, truck traffic pollution, as well as vibration pollution caused by the blasting done at these plants.

The dust pollution when the wind is blowing (prevalently out of the south) is enormous. When I first moved here in 1988 it was not that noticeable but since the industry has grown it has gotten worse by the year. Any more so will cause all of us in the area respiratory problems that could be serious.

The noise pollution is also getting worse each year. This includes truck and tractor engine noise and back up alarm noise, blasting sirens, as well as the blasting itself. These noises should be restricted to areas at lease 10 miles from any city limits at the very least.

Truck traffic in the area is already prolific. If there is any more additional trucking then all roads leading into and out of the area will have to be made into 4 lane highways to be able to handle the traffic. Until that is done nothing to increase this problem should be allowed.

Some of the worst problems caused are from the blasting. My house is over 50 years old and when I first moved in I had no problems with the foundation. In the years since I have noticed some cracking and movement in the flooring. Experts have told me this is caused by the blasting done in the area. The proposed plant will be closer and will cause more problems. The cost of fixing these will be in the millions of dollars. Will this plant be responsible and help pay the cost or will the people who approved it step up.

My wife and I are in our 50's and 60's and these problems are affecting us more and more. The proposed plant will be closer, less than a mile, and the above problems will be amplified. The health and welfare of my neighbors and my wife and I should be more important than a plant (whose owners have already shown a disregard for environmental issues in other parts of the World) that will not benefit the area in any other way than hiring a few local residents. Most employees will be brought in from elsewhere and will live elsewhere resulting in zero benefits and hurting the way of life of hundreds in the area.

Sincerely,

Frank and Shelby Simonini
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New Braunfels, Texas, 78132

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NEW BRAUNFELS TX 78132
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As you are aware, we already have a MASSIVE quarry operation next door to our neighborhood that has recently undergone an enormous expansion project. The noise at night from the constant grinding and beeping literally wakes us up at night. On many nights, we have to raise our voices just sitting outside to be heard over the din of the quarry as we sit around our pool. The problem is that they were here first. When that quarry was initiated, New Braunfels was a sleepy little community between Austin and San Antonio. We built knowing that they were there but didn't anticipate that they would expand as they did. That was our fault. On the other hand, that is not the case with the proposed quarry. **WE WERE HERE FIRST THIS TIME.** They should not be allowed to build around such a rapidly growing city. How much burden are we expected to bear in regards to noise, dust, blasting, etc.? We find it grossly unfair and unreasonable that they should be allowed to contribute to an already bad situation. **One quarry is simply enough!!**

I would like to request a contested case hearing and public meeting on this issue. We implore you to disallow this quarry. New Braunfels is growing too quickly and in that direction. We even have a school that is scheduled to be built about a mile from there. We breathe enough of the dust as it is. Please don't contribute to the mess.

Sincerely,

Ma. Carmen Smith

Vincent & Maria Smith
315 Hunters Trace
New Braunfels, Texas 78132
830-606-6952

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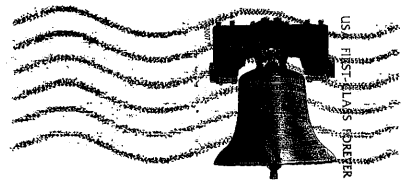

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March 15, 2009

TO: Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
ATTN: Larry Bueler, Project Manager
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
PO box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

SUBJECT: This email is to establish our opposition to the Aggregate Industries/Holcim proposed rock quarry and cement distribution facility on FM 482 in Comal County.

REF: Air Quality Permit No. 83755 Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

FROM: Cindy Taylor
25595 Lewis Ranch Road
New Braunfels, TX 78132

- We are strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482.
- We request a contested case hearing and public meeting.
- We in this area already suffer from the emissions from current aggregate businesses in the area.
- These particulate matter emissions can impact health and I am concerned for the health of my family and neighbors. These emissions can be particularly dangerous on younger and older populations.
- This proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside daily. The additional truck traffic and air emissions are not conducive to their safety.
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- We already suffer from current quarry pollution, dust on cars, environmental damage, cracks in homes, etc.
- Do we really need another quarry in New Braunfels? NO

Thank you,

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- Our quality of life is significantly impacted by the truck traffic already in the area. Any additional truck traffic would be unbearable.
- We already suffer from current quarry pollution, dust on cars, environmental damage, cracks in homes, etc.
- Do we really need another quarry in New Braunfels? NO

Hard copy in the mail.

Thank you,

Jason & Alia Unrein

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THE NEXT STEPS

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One thing we have discovered is that fighting a rock quarry can be a long and complicated process. Many have asked what the game plan is and how they can help. Below are a few of the next steps. Hopefully, this will get more people involved and informative.

1. Get to 1000 petition signatures and send letters to all local, state, and federal officials with petitions attached. We are currently at more than 800 petition signatures.

2. Put pressure on US Fish and Wildlife Service to use their authority to stop or delay quarry operations on environmental grounds – golden cheeked warbler and threat to Comal Springs.

3. Monitor permits applied for by Holcim with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). There are currently no outstanding permits.

4. Press for commitments from candidates for state representative, Doug Miller and Daniel Boone, to take up our cause and not bow to quarry special interests. They need to commit to aggressively lobby TCEQ to reject any future permits and demand a public meeting in Comal County.

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How you can help (Check any that you are willing to do):

✓ Write a letter to the editor

✓ Get additional petition signatures from your family and neighbors

_____ Meet with US Fish and Wildlife officials

✓ Call elected officials or agency officials

_____ Be on the steering committee for the Comal Residents for Rural Heritage or take a leadership position with the group

_____ Speak to the media regarding our quarry fight

✓ Attend our next meeting

9505 Ranch Crk.
New Braunfels, TX 78132

Name Jason Unrein Address Lewis Ranch

Phone 691-5636 Email _____

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2008 JUN 20 AM 10: 36
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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

Dear Mr. Bueler:

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It is my understanding that the Texas Commission of Environment Quality was responsible for maintaining and protecting our environment, not knowingly and intentionally destroying our air and the safety of the children and residents in Comal County.

Sincerely,

Janice W. Vader

Name: Janice Vader
Address: 502 Oak Grove - New Braunfels, Tx. 78132
Phone No: 830-625-4700

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REFERENCE: AIR QUALITY PERMIT #83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels,
Comal County, TX

Dear Sirs,

We live just within 1 mile of the proposed site.WE ARE STRONGLY OPPOSED to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing facility at 5900 FM 482 in Comal County for the following reasons:

Matter emissions can impact health, especially on senior citizens and children
Due to its proximity to a school
Truck traffic is already an issue in the area and more is not needed

Due to the reasons mentioned above, we are requesting a "Contested Case Hearing" and public meeting.

We truly believe that this type of facility should be located in a less populated area.

We feel we must be heard for the well being of this area.

We appreciate your attention and promptness to this matter,

Charles W. Vinsonhaler Sr.
Nancy Vinsonhaler

Charles and Nancy Vinsonhaler
11860 Shadow Lane
New Braunfels, TX 78132

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Catharine Wade
11918 Shadow Lane
New Braunfels ,
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1.830.625.7029
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June 20, 2008

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
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Austin, TX 78711-3087

Reference: Air Quality Permit # 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 Fm 482,
New Braunfels,
Comal County, Texas

Dear Sirs,

My name Is Catharine Wade, I live within 1 mile of the proposed site. **I'm strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing facility at 5900 FM 482 in Comal County** for the following reasons:

1. Matter emissions can impact health especially on senior citizens and children
2. Due to it's proximity to a school
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5. I'm willing to fight this permit process until the well being of the area is respected

Due to the 5 reasons above I'm requesting a "Contested Case Hearing " and a public meeting.

Sincerely,

Catharine Wade

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From: PUBCOMMENT-OCC2
To: PUBCOMMENT-APD
CC: PUBCOMMENT-ELD; PUBCOMMENT-OPIC
Date: 3/25/2009 2:07 PM
Subject: Re: Fwd: Public comment on Permit Number 83755
Place: PUBCOMMENT-APD
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PERMIT NUMBER:83755
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COUNTY:COMAL
PRINCIPAL NAME:AGGREGATE INDUSTRIES-WCR INC
CN NUMBER:CN603300625
FROM
NAME: Catharine Wade

COMPANY:
ADDRESS:11918 SHADOW LN
NEW BRAUNFELS TX78132-3627
PHONE:
FAX:
COMMENTS:

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The purpose of these comments is to protest Aggregate, Industries obtaining **Air Quality Permit No. 83755.** I am a resident of Comal County my address is 11918 Shadow Lane we live within 3 1/2 miles from the proposed rock crushing quarry at 5900 FM 482. **I strongly object to the construction of this new facility for the following reasons:**

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2. The proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside on a daily basis. Increased by-product emissions and increased truck traffic is not conducive to the children's health and personal safety. These trucks (300 to 400 daily) will not be monitored by TCEQ, or any other public health professional.

4. Public health issues from the excessive quarry dust and soot, will impact breathing.

5. The wells and septic systems on our properties may be affected by blasting.

6.Groundwater and the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone will also be negatively impacted by blasting and the dust residue.

7. Aggregate Industries, a subsidiary of Holcim, International Cement Corporation, has received numerous violations and millions of dollars in fines from the E.P.A. for continual violations of the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants without changing their business practices.

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We, the residence of Comal county need to be protected by the TCEQ from Aggregate Industries, a subsidiary of Holcim, International Cement Corporation. They are the foreign air and water polluters who suck the quality of life out our county and country.

Please help us and deny any permits that are currently in the your system

Thank you for submitting your comments on this pending permit application.

You will receive an e-mail confirmation of your remarks that you can print for your records.

If you do not receive an e-mailed confirmation within 24 hours, we may not have received your comments. Please note, successful submittal of your electronic comments does not guarantee that your comments are timely filed. If you have any questions, call the Office of the Chief Clerk at 512-239-3300.

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Name Arnold Wallis

Address 9343 Bluebell Dr.

Phone Garden Ridge, Texas

Email 78266

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Sincerely,

Chris Wallisch

Name: CHRIS WALLISCH
Address: 537 OAK GROVE NEW BRAUNFELS, TX 78132
Phone No: (830) 625-8743

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Name Gary & Delores Warm

Address 9315 Sumac Lane

Phone 210-651-5463

Email [redacted]

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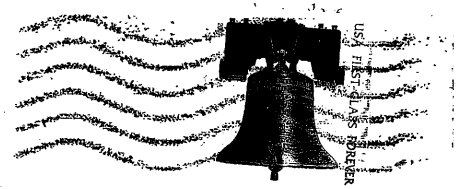

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Name Glenn T. Whitfield Jr

Address 9416 Goldenrod Ln

Phone (210) 656-9540

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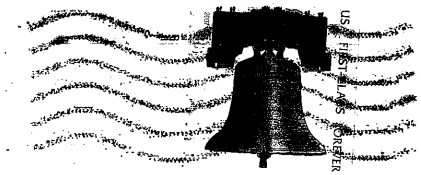

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Mr. Charles Williams
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Garden Ridge, TX 78266-2525

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Name Randall Willis

Address 20332 Regency Run - Cordova Bridge 78266

Phone N/A

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant @ 5900
FM 482 New Braunfels, Comal
County, Texas

July 10, 2008

To Whom it May Concern:

We are writing from the address of 380 Robin Lane in New Braunfels, Texas, 78132. This is our homestead, that is about ¾ of a mile away from the proposed Rock Crushing Plant @ 5900 FM 482, in Comal County.

We already cope with the particulates, dusts (reportedly including silicon), and scrubber noises from the aggregate businesses within ½ mile of our property. More importantly, we are directly in line with the primary south-southwesterly winds of the spring, summer and fall seasons. So, it's not just proximity, it's also exacerbated for the subdivisions in our area by being downwind of these aggregate businesses. My allergist advises that our location w/respect to the quarries aggravates my sinus issues, and my husband's ophthalmologist indicates his eye-dryness is also adversely affected. I believe both of these professionals would offer written opinions, if necessary.

Our home is vibrated Monday through Friday, between the hours of noon and 2:00PM. We have diagonal, not just vertical tears in the sheet rock. I don't doubt the businesses operate within legislated codes. The point is, as citizens for 30 years in this home, we recognize that new, more restrictive legislation is needed. We have been registering our concerns for many years, so we're hoping the TCEQ opinion will add import to that quest.

For these reasons and more, we are requesting a contested case hearing and/or a public hearing to provide an opportunity for the negative externalities of another, aggregate business in the area, to be discussed and exposed.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Earl Wright Judy Wright

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Name Vicente & Anita Zamora

Address 9915 Trophy Oaks Dr.

Phone ~~Trophy~~ Garden Ridge, Tex. 210-651-9319 78266

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March 13, 2009

TO: Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105
ATTN: Larry Bueler, Project Manager
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
PO box 13087
Austin, TX 78711-3087

SUBJECT: This email is to establish our opposition to the Aggregate Industries/Holcim proposed rock quarry and cement distribution facility on FM 482 in Comal County.

REF: Air Quality Permit No. 83755 Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482, New Braunfels, Comal County Texas

FROM: Tom & Jill Zibelin
9176 Rock Run
New Braunfels, Texas 78132

- We are strongly opposed to Aggregate Industries proposed rock crushing plant at 5900 FM 482.
- We request a contested case hearing and public meeting.
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- These particulate matter emissions can impact health and I am concerned for the health of my family and neighbors. These emissions can be particularly dangerous on younger and older populations.
- This proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside daily. The additional truck traffic and air emissions are not conducive to their safety.
- Our quality of life is significantly impacted by the truck traffic already in the area. Any additional truck traffic would be unbearable.
- We already suffer from current quarry pollution, dust on cars, environmental damage, cracks in homes, etc.
- Do we really need another quarry in New Braunfels? NO

Thank you,

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Ref: Air Quality Permit No. 83755
Rock Crushing Plant
5900 FM 482
New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas

Dear Mr. Bueler:

The purpose of this letter is to request a public meeting and contested case hearing on Air Quality Permit No. 83755. I am a resident of Comal County in *Mission Valley Estates* on FM 1863 in New Braunfels, TX and my neighborhood is approximately 2.3 statute miles from the proposed rock crushing quarry at 5900 FM 482. I strongly object to the construction of this new facility for the following reasons:

1. The impact of PM2.5 emissions can increase air pollution affecting the environment, wildlife and health of residents, particularly the young and old. These fine particle emissions have been associated with premature mortality and other serious health effects and may be in violation of the EPA's Clean Air Act.
2. The proposed facility is 1.3 miles from Comal Elementary where children play outside on a daily basis and increased byproduct emissions and increased truck traffic is not conducive to the children's health and personal safety.
3. Vibrations from blasting can cause damage to residential and commercial foundations, already occurring with existing quarries, significantly decreasing property values. Also, the structural integrity and preservation of Natural Bridge Caverns 4 statute miles from quarry and other natural landmarks may be compromised by the continuous blasting.
4. It is estimated that 300 trucks will run daily. This additional traffic will cause increased congestion, air pollution, road maintenance and possibility for accidents and fatalities.
5. The well and septic systems may be affected by blasting. Groundwater and the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone may be negatively impacted by blasting. Most recently, in Miami, FL, the Lake Belt benzene contamination has stopped quarrying since drinking water was compromised.
6. New Braunfels Code of Ordinance 2003-34, Sec. 82.9 Noise Prohibitions may be in violated due to the nuisance of facility operations.
7. Aggregate Industries, a subsidiary of Holcim, International Cement Corporation, has received numerous violations and millions of dollars in fines from the E.P.A. for continual violations of the *National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants* without changing their business practices.
8. The *Michigan Department of Environmental Quality* has repeatedly fined Holcim for emitting air particulates more than seven times the legal limit.
9. Holcim has received E.P.A. citations and fines for violations of the *Clean Air Act* in Clarksville, Missouri; Midlothian, Texas; Clarksville, Missouri; Dundee, Michigan; and South Carolina for falsifying emission reports, exceeding temperatures in their bag houses, and improper installation of appropriate air ventilation.
10. The *Endangered Species Act* protects the Golden Cheeked Warbler, whose habitat will be destroyed should this additional quarry be allowed to develop in our community.

It is my understanding that the Texas Commission of Environment Quality is responsible for maintaining and protecting our environment, not knowingly and intentionally destroying our air and the safety of the children and residents in Comal County.

Sincerely,

Tom Zell

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