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January 28, 2016

Ms. Bridget Bohac
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Dear Ms. Bohac:

This letter is a formal request for a contested case hearing on Air Quality Standard Permit 7772B. According to the notice, Argos Ready Mix (South Central) Corp. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to authorize continued operation of a concrete batch plant located at 110 Holmes Road, Houston, Harris County, Texas. We understand that the company has just published a notice in the newspaper and we have a 15-day window to request this hearing. The existing facility is authorized to emit air contaminants: particulate matter including (but not limited to) aggregate, cement, road dust, and particulate matter. Although this company's renewal may not result in the increase in previously emitted contaminants by the company, we are concerned that this renewal, combined with the emissions of other recently permitted batch plants in District 131 may impact the health and safety of our community residents.

We continue to be very concerned about the number of concrete batch plants in District 131, Houston, Texas. The proliferation of these plants threaten the health and safety of our community residents, operate at hours and days of the week that interfere with sleep and other community activities. These plants also reduce the beauty of the community and property values, and ruin the local streets and roads as the huge trucks transport the concrete to the construction locations.

Please contact Dr. Teresa Lenoir, Legislative Aide at 512-463-0744 or Teresa.Lenoir@house.Texas.gov and Christina Jaramillo, Legislative Aide, Christina.Jaramillo@house.Texas.gov and 713-776-0505, to inform us about the request for the contested case hearing, so that I can respond and inform the community of our next steps.

Sincerely,

State Representative Dr. Alma Allen
District 131, Houston, Texas

Cc: Megan Pack

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Re: Argos Batch Plant. Permit # 77728

Comments: Please accept this letter as a request for a contested case hearing for the Argos Batch plant

Thank you

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