

DEP Information Meeting August 7, 2020

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) held an information meeting to update local elected and appointed officials to provide the status of the Rock Hill Quarry located on North Rockhill Road since the last meeting which convened July 10, 2020.

The Rock Hill Quarry is still under a cease order.

The Department of Health continues to deal with issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Once their official response to the list of asbestos-related questions submitted by DEP has been received, it will be posted to the DEP website.

On July 2, 2020, DEP issued a letter to Hanson Aggregates providing an extension until August 14, 2020 to provide transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and petrographic analysis for rock samples previously taken at the Rock Hill Quarry. DEP stated that the extension was provided to allow DEP and Hanson Aggregates to reach an agreement on the proper analytical protocols. On July 24, 2020, East Rockhill Township sent a letter to DEP requesting that DEP make those protocols publicly available in advance of permitting Hanson Aggregates to direct its laboratory to undertake the required analysis. By letter, dated August 4, 2020, DEP described the analytical protocols with which Hanson Aggregates would be required to comply. During the information meeting conducted via conference call on August 7, 2020, DEP confirmed that the protocols described in DEP's letter to East Rockhill Township were described identically in a letter issued to Hanson Aggregates.

R.E. Pierson Materials' removal of equipment from the site was completed on August 6, 2020.

The DEP Rock Hill Quarry page continues to be updated with all documents received.