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November 23, 2021

Gary A. Latsha Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Pottsville District Mining Office 5 West Laurel Boulevard Pottsville, PA 17901

Re: 2021 Minimum Tonnage Abeyance

Hanson Aggregates Pennsylvania LLC

Rock Hill Quarry SMP No. 7974SM1

East Rockhill Twp., Bucks Co., PA

Dear Mr. Latsha:

As we are all aware, mining and related activities remain under a cessation order at the Rock Hill Quarry. Considering the speed at which we are approaching the end of the calendar year 2021, Hanson Aggregates Pennsylvania LLC (Hanson) is requesting the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental continue to hold in abeyance the annual minimum tonnage removal requirement for active mine operations due to the Department's December 5, 2018 order. If the Department would prefer to have the minimum 500 tons removed from the site for the 2021 calendar year, Hanson stands ready, willing and able to do so.

I have attached the Department's December 22, 2020 letter regarding the 2020 calendar year minimum tonnage removal for your reference. Please feel free to contact me at (610) 366-4819 should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Andrew J. Gutshall, P.G. Area Environmental Manager

encl: PADEP December 22, 2020 letter

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December 22, 2020

Hanson Aggregates Pennsylvania, LLC Attn: Mr. Andrew Gutshall, P.G. 7660 Imperial Way Allentown, PA 18195-1040

Re: Rock Hill Quarry December 5, 2018 Cessation Order Hanson Aggregates Pennsylvania, LLC Rock Hill Quarry Operation Surface Mining Permit No. 7974SM1 East Rockhill Township, Bucks County

Dear Mr. Gutshall:

It is DEP's interpretation of applicable law, consistent with the purpose of the Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act to prevent and eliminate hazards to public health and safety, that removal of the required minimum tonnage of minerals is precluded by DEP's December 5, 2018 order ceasing mining and rock crushing-sizing activities at the Rock Hill Quarry.

At such time, that DEP makes a decision regarding the status of the ongoing cessation, it will evaluate the requirement that the permittee remove a minimum of 500 tons of minerals in the preceding calendar year in order to be considered an active operation.

This letter is neither an order nor any other final action of DEP. It neither imposes nor waives any enforcement action available to DEP under any of its statutes. If DEP determines that an enforcement action is appropriate, you will be notified of the action.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at 570.621.3118.

Sincerely,

Gary A. Latsha

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