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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
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County of Bucks
Office of the Commissioners
55 East Court Street
Doylestown, PA 18901

Diane M Ellis-Marseglia, LCSW, Chair
Robert J. Harvie Jr., Vice-Chair
Gene DiGirolamo

Re: Rock Hill Quarry
East Rockhill Township, Bucks County

Dear Ms. Ellis-Marseglia, Mr. Harvie and Mr. DiGirolamo:

Thank you for your letter of February 19, 2020, regarding the Rock Hill Quarry located at 2055 North Rockhill Road, Sellersville, East Rockhill Township. The Department appreciates your concern for the citizens of Bucks County, especially those residing near the quarry. We take your concerns and those of the residents of East Rockhill Township with the utmost sincerity.

The Department is aware of Deputy Health Secretary Barashansky's February 7, 2020 responses regarding the presence of Naturally Occurring Asbestos (NOA) at the Rock Hill Quarry. The Department values the experience gained by the EPA and other State and Federal regulatory agencies developing the protocols used in the examples cited by Mr. Barashansky as well as other examples across the United States as the Department develops its course of action.

The Department will continue to exercise due diligence to collect additional data and information in order to characterize the geology and the extent and concentration of NOA at the Rock Hill Quarry. The Department has developed a March 2, 2020 letter commenting on the November 15, 2019 Qualitative Geologic Survey Report (QGSR) provided by Hanson Aggregates Pennsylvania, LLC.

This letter is posted on the Southeast Regional Office's Community Information website for you and the public to read. The website may be accessed at:
<https://www.dep.pa.gov/About/Regional/SoutheastRegion/Community%20Information/Pages/Rock-Hill-Quarry-.aspx>

Thank you for your interest in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Robert Fogel, Community Relations and Revitalization Consultant, at the Southeast Regional Office, by e-mail at rofogel@pa.gov or by telephone at (484) 250-5817.

Sincerely,

John J. Stefanko
Deputy Secretary
Active and Abandoned Mine Operations