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**Re: DEP Comment regarding Over-Sized Delivery at Rockhill Quarry and
Reanalysis of Asbestos Test Results by TEM Methodology**

On behalf of Rockhill Environmental Preservation Alliance, Inc. (REPA), enclosed please find a September 23, 2019 report prepared by Bradley G. Erskine, Ph.D., CEG of Erskine Environmental Consulting. The report provides comments and recommendations that have been issued since Dr. Erskine's review of RJ Lee's asbestos test results dated September 1, 2019.

Among Dr. Erskine's findings in this latest report is the following:



Regulated actinolite and subordinate tremolite asbestos is present in the rocks underlying the Rockhill quarry site, and the concentrations are sufficiently high to produce a potential adverse health impact to workers at the site, residents near the site, and particularly children attending schools near the site.

In addition to responding to our two letters (dated June 6, 2019 and September 2, 2019) that contain Dr. Erskine's asbestos reviews, we respectfully request that you respond to our additional test result comments and serious concerns regarding this over-sized delivery too.

Respectfully yours,

Rockhill Environmental Preservation Alliance, Inc.

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