



September 9, 2009

Mr. Lowell Spackman  
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Via email: [lspack@wyo.gov](mailto:lspack@wyo.gov)

RE: Lafarge Talbott Pit, TFN 5 1/96

Dear Mr. Spackman,

Lafarge North America submitted an application for Mining Sequencing Revision on April 30, 2009. Our application was reviewed and determined to be technically complete on June 16, 2009. The purpose of the application was to allow additional time to commence mining on the Talbott Pit. In essence we are requesting a 5-year delay on the mining commencement due to market conditions.

On behalf of Lafarge North America, I would like to summarize conversations held between Lafarge, Jay Talbott and Dr. Kenneth Robertson. This letter also details how Lafarge North America will address two issues raised by Dr. Robertson and illustrates the good faith efforts Lafarge North America is making toward a positive resolution.

The first issue raised by Dr. Robertson concerns the "Proposed Building Pad" illustrated in the southwestern corner of the permit property. This "Proposed Building Pad" has been illustrated on the Mining Plan, Reclamation Plan and discussed in the Reclamation Narrative since the original permit application and was not a part of our Mining Sequencing Revision amendment request. Dr. Robertson proposed the "Proposed Building Pad" to be shifted 200- 300 feet to the East. The permit boundary cannot accommodate this relocation. However, the property owner and Lafarge have agreed to accommodate Dr. Robertson's request by removing the westernmost 200 – 300 feet of the "Proposed Building Pad."

The second issue raised by Dr. Robertson is a concern with current water drainage on private property and Pahlow Lane in the vicinity of the southwestern portion of the Talbott property. Dr. Robertson expressed concerns that the "Temporary Berm" and Permanent Berms proposed along the western property boundary may contribute to a larger drainage issue in the future. Lafarge would like to address this concern by proposing a condition in the permit as follows, "Prior to construction of Berms along the western property boundary, the Operator shall evaluate the effect the Berms will have on stormwater flow and drainage. The Berm placement will be designed and constructed to not contribute to the existing drainage issue."



The issues raised by Dr. Robertson have been acknowledged and addressed as stated above. Lafarge respectfully requests Dr. Robertson to withdraw his objection. Please let me know if I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anne Best Johnson'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Anne Best Johnson, AICP  
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