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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL  
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POTTSVILLE DISTRICT OFFICE

February 24, 2016

Ms. Christina Curley  
New Hope Crushed Stone & Lime Co.  
P.O. Box 248  
New Hope, PA 18938

Re: New Hope Crushed Stone & Lime Co.  
Noncoal Surface Mining Permit No. 7974SM3  
Solebury Township, Bucks County  
Requested/Required Information

Dear Christina:

I am writing this letter to further document what the Department needs to see for the various issues we discussed last week, and as a way to also document the information I sent to you via email yesterday. The following summarizes that discussion and email:

1. Information needed for a possible temporary pumping exceedance in respect to moving the pumping infrastructure:
  - a) A timeline for moving the pumping infrastructure based on the minimum time required to facilitate the move with each major step associated with the move identified.
  - b) The timeline should include a time schedule for each major step associated with moving the pumps and a reason(s) for the time associated with each step.  
  
Note: The expectation is that the pump relocation work will be completed ASAP and no later than 3/18/2016.
  - c) The estimated cost associated with each step and the supplies required, outside contracted work, etc. should also be included with each step as well.
  - d) A description of all steps that have been taken to date.

This info needs to be submitted ASAP and no later than 2/26/2016 to the Pottsville DO.

2. Info needed for the financial review for bond submission requirements and other related issues:
  - a) Financial statements for 2010 to 2015
  - b) Trial Balance Statements for 2010-2015
  - c) Federal and State Corporate Tax returns for 2010-2014

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This information is also needed by 2/26/2016. The information should be placed on a CD with each document stamped or otherwise identified as confidential and a confidential request cover letter included.

3. Information needed for consideration of altering anything identified in my January 29, 2016 letter:
  - a) A specific reason as to why the Department should consider altering what the Department considers to be the timely abatement of the EHB identified nuisance and/or concurrent reclamation of the New Hope Quarry.
  - b) Each reason should include information that supports the request for consideration, including but not limited to: financial inability to perform the work as outlined, the possible benefits or detriments that may occur in respect to altering or not altering the requirements set forth in the letter, a complete analysis (with supporting info) of each issue or part of the reason to alter the letter and any other information you consider pertinent to the reason/issue.

This info should also be submitted ASAP. **In the interim, New Hope is required to comply with the January 29, 2016 letter at all times unless otherwise excused by the Department.** New Hope is currently excused from pumping only 500,000 gpd due to the danger of the pumps being flooded.

If you have any questions concerning this letter or any related matters, please contact me at 570.621.3118.

Sincerely,



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District Mining Manager  
District Mining Operations

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