

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF MINING PROGRAMS

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Mine Name New Hope Quarry

INSPECTION REPORT

Date <u>7/10/2017</u>

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APPEAL NOTICE

Any person aggrieved by this action may appeal, pursuant to Section 4 of the Environmental Hearing Board Act, 35 P.S. Section 7514, and the Administrative Agency Law, 2 Pa. C.S. Chapter 5A, to the Environmental Hearing Board, Second Floor, Rachel Carson State Office Building, Harrisburg, 400 Market Street. P.O. Box 8457, PA 17105-8457. 717-787-3483. TDD users may contact the Board through the Pennsylvania Relay Service, 800-654-5984. Appeals must be filed with the Environmental Hearing Board within 30 days of receipt of written notice of this action unless the appropriate statute provides a different time period. Copies of the appeal may be obtained from the Board. At 717-787-3483. This paragraph does not, in and of itself, create any right of appeal beyond that permitted by applicable statutes and decisional law.

Violations of performance standards on operations permitted prior to the effective date of the regulations promulgated pursuant to Act 219, the 1984 Noncoal SMCRA shall be cited as a violation of permit conditions and shall be designated as PC on the reverse side in the column headed by PC or Reg.

Violations of performance standards on operations permitted after the effective date of the regulations promulgated pursuant to Act 219, the 1984 Noncoal SMCRA shall be cited as a violation of the regulations and

The following is a list of the performance standards from the regulations promulgated pursuant to Act 219, the 1984 Noncoal SMCRA, followed by the corresponding reference to chapter and section number.

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COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Mine Name New Hope Quarry	Date: <u>7/10/2017</u>		
PERMITTEE New Hope Crushed Stone & Lime Co.	TOWNSHIP	COUNTY	PERMIT NO.
	Solebury	Bucks	7974SM3

On September 23, 2016 EarthRes Group, Inc.(EarthRes), on behalf of NHCS submitted the CAP. The CAP failed to timely address the reclamation volume deficiencies noted in the CO. The Department had indicated that the CAP had to address the reclamation volume deficiencies within a maximum timeframe of no more than the next three sequential quarters.

On November 4, 2016, NHCS submitted a revised CAP with a new schedule to address the reclamation volume deficiencies. The revised CAP indicated that the reclamation volume deficiencies would be eliminated over the last quarter of 2016 and the first and second quarters of 2017.

On April 13, 2017, the Department approved the November 4, 2016 revised CAP. The Department's April 13, 2017 letter indicated that in accordance with the approved reclamation schedule, NHCS had to eliminate the reclamation volume deficiencies by July 1, 2017. In its monthly truck count and quarterly reports, NHCS was to include the progress towards the reduction in the reclamation volume deficiencies.

The Department's subsequent review of the monthly Reclamation and Restoration Work sheets, and associated quarterly reports, found that, based on the reported reclamation fill placement, NHCS may not eliminate the reclamation volume deficiencies by the July 1, 2017 deadline. The Department advised NHCS of the reclamation obligations during onsite meetings, in inspection reports, and in the Department's letter dated May 23, 2017.

Following a review of the most recent reclamation progress information submitted by NHCS, the Department has determined that NHCS has failed to conduct reclamation activities to the minimum standards and requirements outlined in the Department's January 29, 2016 letter, and the CAP approved by the Department on April 13, 2017. The April, May and June 2017 Reclamation and Restoration Work-sheets and information indicate that NHCS had a reclamation shortfall of 5,086 cu yds in April 2017, a reclamation shortfall of 801 cu yds in May 2017, and did not place the required "catch up" reclamation fill volume identified and outlined in the approved CAP by the July 1, 2017 deadline. In reference to the "catch up" reclamation fill volume the monthly work sheets indicate that there is a 12,835 cu yd shortfall in relationship to the total amount of reclamation fill required to be placed by the approved CAP. As of July 1, 2017NHCS' total reclamation fill volume shortfall determined by the monthly work-sheets is 18,722 cu yds.

Since NHCS has failed to conduct reclamation activities to the minimum standards and/or requirements outlined in the Department's January 29, 2016 letter and the CAP approved by the Department on April 13, 2017, Compliance Order No. 17-5-025-N is issued.

NHCS shall immediately cease active mining operations, and conduct reclamation to correct the current reclamation volume shortfall of 18,722 cu yds on a continuous daily basis until the shortfall is eliminated to the Department's satisfaction. In addition, NHCS shall conduct and submit to the Department a detailed site survey that: 1) measures the amount of reclamation fill placed in its final location per the permit approved final reclamation plan, and 2) delineates the current highwall slopes, and the required cut and fill amounts for each area still requiring backfilling, grading and/or reclamation. NHCS shall also place and maintain cut and/or fill stakes on each required reclamation area in order to establish/delineate the amount of reclamation work still required on that area.

NHCS shall submit the detailed site survey and associated information to the Department's Pottsville District Office, and conduct the other required survey work outlined above by 8:00 AM, August 7, 2017.

NHCS is reminded that all other permit conditions and requirements which include, but are not limited to, conducting water monitoring, maintaining the approved pumping rate of 500,000 GPD and maintaining Erosion & Sedimentation controls, shall continue during this time.

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Mine Name New Hope Quarry Date 7/10/2017						
PERMITTEE New Hope Crushed Stone & Lime Co.	TOWNSHIP Solebury	COUNTY Bucks	PERMIT NO. 7974SM3			
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Compliance History: 2 years - CO iss Mining and Reclamation Act. CO issu	sued 8/26/2016 – Subchapt ued 10/1/2015 – Section 7(c	er E 77.102(f)(1) & (2) and Section (5)(5) and (10) of the Noncoal Sur	on 11(b) of the Noncoal Surface face Mining and Reclamation			
Act, 52 P.S. § 3307(c)(5) and (10)	•	,, , ,	Ū			
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Person Contacted			no			
Christina Cursley	General Manager	Samples Collected yes Range of Samples Collected N	☑ no √one			
Signature		Investigator Signature & LD No				

The Operator's signature acknowledges that he has read the report, including the reverse side, and that he was given the opportunity to discuss it with the investigator. The signature does not necessarily mean he agrees with the report.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF MINING AND RECLAMATION P.O. BOX 8461 HARRISBURG, PA 17105-8461





COMPLIANCE ORDER

OPERATOR NAME		DOCKET NUMBER			
New Hope Crushe	d Stone & Lime Co.	17-5-025-N			
ADDRESS		PERMIT NUMBER			
PO Box 248		7974SM3			
New Hope, PA 18	938-0248	MUNICIPALITY			
		Solebury Township			
NAME AND TITLE OF PER	SON SERVED	COUNTY			
Christina Cursley	General Mana	Bucks			
MINE NAME OR DESCRIP	TION	LICENSE NUMBER			
New Hope Quarry		1879			
DATE OF INSPECTION	TE OF INSPECTION DATE OF ORDER DATE OF SERVICE/MA		CERT. MAIL NO.	CESSATION ORDERED	
7/10/2017	7/10/2017	7/10/2017	70142120000014094988	⊠ Yes □ No	

The Department of Environmental Protection is the agency with the authority to administer and enforce the Clean Streams Law, the Act of June 22, 1937, P.L. 1987, as amended, 35 P.S. §691.1 *et seq.*, the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, the Act of May 31, 1945, P.L. 1198, as amended, 52 P.S. §1396.1 *et seq.*, the Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, the Act of December 19, 1984, P.L. 1093, No 219, as amended, 52 P.S. §3301 *et seq.*, the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act, the Act of September 24, 1968, P.L. 1040, as amended, 52 P.S. §30.51 *et seq.*, the Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act, the Act of April 27, 1966, P.L. 31, No. 1, as amended, 52 P.S. §1406.1 *et seq.*, the Anthracite Coal Mine Act, the Act of November 10, 1965, P.L. 721, No. 346, as amended, 52 P.S. §70-101 *et seq.*, the Bituminous Coal Mine Act of 1961, the Act of July 17, 1961, P.L. 659, No. 339, as amended, 52 P.S. §701-101 *et seq.*, and Section 1917-A of the Act of April 9, 1929, P.L. 177, as amended, 71 P.S. §510-17, and the Rules and Regulations of the Environmental Quality Board adopted thereunder.

The Undersigned authorized representative of the Department has determined that the violations listed in the attachment(s) exist on the above referenced mine site. This Order constitutes a separate order for each violation listed.

Pursuant to §§5, 301, 307, 315, 316, 401, 402, 601 and 610 of The Clean Streams Law (35 P.S. §691.5, 691.301, 691.307, 691.315, 691.316, 691.401, 691,402, 691.601, and 691.610), §§4.2 and 4.3 of the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act (52 P.S. §1396.4b and 1396.4c), §11 of the Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, (52 P.S. §3311), §§3.1 and 9 of the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act, (P.L. 31, 52 P.S. §1406.1), §§701-101 et seq., of the Bituminous Coal Mine Act (52 P.S. §\$701-101) and Section 1917-A of the Administrative Code (71 P.S. §510-17) and 25 Pa. Code §§86.211 and 86.213, it is hereby ordered that the operator shall perform the corrective actions listed in the attachment within the designated abatement time.

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Cert. Mail No. 70142120000014094988	Department Representative Name and Title Gary A. Latsha	
Operator/Representative Signature To be mailed	Investigator Signature & I.D. No.	502401
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Please read carefully and be advised that:

Under the provisions of Section 3.1 of the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Sections 5 and 8 of the Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Section 609 of the Clean Streams Law, Section 4 of the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act, and Section 5 of the Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act, the Department is prohibited from issuing your firm or associated companies any further permits or licenses until such time that the violations enumerated in this order are corrected to the satisfaction of the Department.

In accordance with the Department's Rules and Regulations and the Statutes stated herein, your failure to abate the noted violations by the specific abatement date will result in the cessation of your mining operation.

Pursuant to Section 18.4 of the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Section 605 of the Clean Streams Law, Section 21 of the Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Section 11 of the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act, and Section 17 of the Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act, the Department may assess a civil penalty for any violation of the previously stated Acts. A civil penalty must be assessed for any violation(s) which results in a Cessation Order being issued. The civil penalty so assessed may be up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per day for each Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act or Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act violation.

These laws also provide for summary and misdemeanor, and criminal penalties of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) respectively for each separate violation.

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ORDER (Continuation)

DOCKET NUMBER 17-5-025-N

PARAGRAPH NO. _1_

Description of Violation: Following a review of the reclamation progress information submitted by New Hope Crushed Stone (NHCS), the Department has determined that NHCS has failed to conduct reclamation activities to the minimum standards and/or requirements outlined in the Department's January 29, 2016 letter and the Corrective Action Plan (CAP) approved by the Department on April 13, 2017. The April, May and June 2017 Reclamation and Restoration Worksheets and related information indicate that NHCS had a reclamation shortfall of 5,086 cu yds in April 2017, a reclamation shortfall of 801 cu yds in May 2017, and did not place the required "catch up" reclamation fill volume identified and outlined in the approved CAP by the July 1, 2017 deadline noted in the Department's April 13, 2017 letter. In reference to the "catch up" reclamation fill volume, the monthly worksheets show a 12,835 cu yd shortfall in relationship to the total amount of reclamation fill required to be placed by the approved CAP. As of July 1, 2017, NHCS' total reclamation fill volume shortfall, as determined by NHCS' monthly worksheets, is 18,722 cu yds.

Location of Violation: Permit No. 7974SM3, Solebury Township, Bucks County

Provisions of Regulation, Statute or Permit Violated: 25 Pa. Code §77.102(f)(1) & (2) and Section 11(b) of the Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, 52 P.S. § 3311(b). Dept letter date: April 13, 2017

Corrective Action Required or Activity to be Ceased: NHCS shall immediately cease active mining operations. NHCS shall conduct reclamation work to abate the current reclamation volume shortfall of 18,722 cu yds. NHCS shall conduct reclamation work on a continuous daily basis until demonstrated to the Department's satisfaction that the shortfall has been eliminated. In addition, NHCS shall conduct and submit to the Department a detailed site survey that: 1) measures the amount of reclamation fill placed in its final location per the permit approved final reclamation plan, and 2) delineates the current highwall slopes, and the required cut and fill amounts for each area still requiring backfilling, grading and/or reclamation. NHCS shall also place and maintain cut and/or fill stakes on each required reclamation area in order to establish/delineate the amount of reclamation work still required on that area.

Required Abatement Date and Time: Immediately cease active mining operations and perform only reclamation work. Reclamation work is to be conducted on a daily basis until the Department determines that the reclamation shortfall is abated, and the other required reclamation fill placement volumes have been placed as required. NHCS shall submit the detailed site survey and associated information to the Department's Pottsville District Office, and conduct the other required survey work outlined above by 8:00 AM on August 7, 2017.

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Date of Service/Mail: 7/10/2017

For the Department:

Please read carefully and be advised that:

Under the provisions of Section 3.1 of the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Section 609 of the Clean Streams Law, Sections 5 and 8 of the Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Section 4 of the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act and Section 5 of the Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act, the Department is prohibited from issuing your firm or associated companies any further permits or licenses until such time that the violations enumerated in this Order are corrected to the satisfaction of the Department.

In accordance with the provisions of the Department's Rules and Regulations and the Statutes stated herein, your failure to abate the noted violations by the specific abatement date will result in the cessation of your mining operation.

Pursuant to Section 18.4 of the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Section 605 of the Clean Streams Law, Section 21 of the Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Section 11 of the Coal Refuse Disposal Act and Section 17 of the Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act, the Department may assess a civil penalty for any violation of the previously stated Acts. A civil penalty must be assessed for any violation(s) which results in a Cessation Order being issued. The civil penalty so assessed may be up to ten thousand (\$10,000) per day for each Clean Streams Law violation and up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per day for each Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Noncoal Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, Coal Refuse Disposal Act or Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act violation.

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