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Subject: Pattison - response to various comments at 1/10 LWSRB meeting

Mark:

We would like to address several statements made at the January 10 LWSRB meeting.

-With regard to the presentation by Juliee de la Tierre, there were several comments which were inaccurate that we would like to correct:

We will not be processing sand at the Bridgeport quarry; as a result, no flocculants will be used. We process sand at our operations in Clayton, IA. And, we work with Iowa DNR in regard to our water quality, sampling, and use of flocculants.

We do not intend to have a high capacity well at the Bridgeport quarry because we will not be processing sand at Bridgeport. If there is a need for more water (for fugitive dust control) than what may be accumulated in the sediment control catch basins, there may be a need for a sand point well.

-One commenter mentioned the boreholes. YES, the boreholes were capped appropriately last spring upon completion of the borings, and according to DNR requirements.

-Mr. Roger Reynolds presented several facts about the mining citations received by Pattison Sand Co. First, let me state all sand operations receive citations from MSHA. Because the industry is relatively new, we are all learning how to keep our employees safe. Pattison Sand Co. is unique in the fact that there are only 3 underground sand mines in the US, so we are all experiencing new applications of MSHA regulations. Some of the citations are minor (lid is missing on the trash can, footprints in the sand where there is no walkway, etc.), however, we learn from the citations and move forward with safer conditions.

If you or the Board have questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact this office. Once again, we appreciate your professionalism and articulate discussion, and, as always, a well-run meeting.

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