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St. Marys Cement Inc. (Canada) 55 Industrial Street, 4th Floor Toronto, On M4G 3W9

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Aggregate License Application for Proposed Flamborough Quarry by St Marys Cement

The Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board objects to the aggregate license application for the proposed Flamborough quarry by St Marys Cement and submits this letter, as per the requirements of the public notification and consultation period and the May 21, 2009 deadline for filing of objections.

Please be advised that the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board is supportive of the objections expressed by the parent council from Balaclava School. This school community is within the immediate area of the proposed quarry and foresees a number of issues that need to be thoroughly investigated pertaining to:

- Student and staff health and safety
- · Impact on water quantity and quality
- · School bus safety.

The Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board is also a member of the Combined Aggregate Review Team (CART), coordinated by the City of Hamilton. As such, the lead governments and agencies will be submitting objections and companion supporting reports which further detail the objections regarding issues of groundwater impact, transportation, planning, blasting, noise, and other related matters.

The Board would appreciate being apprised of MNR's evaluation of the proponent's application and the company's attempts to resolve objections, with specific reference to the objections advanced by the parent council of Balaclava school. Should additional information or concerns be raised, the Board appreciates the opportunity to continue to forward issues to your attention.

Yours truly,

Daryl Sage

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Cc:

MNR Guelph District Office

Mrs. Karen Turkstra, Trustee

Mr. John Laverty, Superintendent of Education Mr. John Gris, Principal, Balaclava School