

April 15, 2021

Mr. Noah Mineo
Continental Materials Corporation
440 S LaSalle St #3100
Chicago, IL 60605

Re: Pikeview Quarry, Permit No. M-1977-211, Reclamation Completion Requirements

Dear Mr. Mineo:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS) has been monitoring the required monthly monitoring reports addressing the movements with respect to stability and the progress on reclamation intended to stabilize the observed slides at the Pikeview Quarry since the approval of Amendment 4 (AM-04) by the Mined Land Reclamation Board (Board) via their signed Order dated August 24, 2020. The latest monitoring report submitted (received April 9, 2021 reporting activity through February 2021) indicates no significant effort has begun with respect to placing backfill to stabilize the slide.

Pursuant to C.R.S 34-32.5-116(4)(q)(I), final reclamation shall be completed prior to the expiration of five years after the date the operator advises the Board that mining has been completed. During testimony for the Board hearing for AM-04 on June 24, 2020, site representatives stated active mining at the Pikeview Quarry had ceased and only sales from stockpiles existing at the time would continue until that material had been sold. As such, the DRMS expects reclamation, including the establishment of vegetation should be completed by June of 2025. Furthermore, the fourth adequacy review response (dated March 2, 2020, page D-7) stated “Grading of the borrow areas onsite is expected to take one to two years. Importing material from offsite will take two to five years depending on availability of material. Importing material and grading the onsite areas will occur concurrently. Establishing vegetation is anticipated to take no longer than five years.”

Given we are now roughly 10 months into the five-year reclamation period and some aspects of reclamation are anticipated to take as long as five years, the DRMS is concerned about meeting the statutory five-year requirement to complete reclamation, in a timely manner. If significant backfill operations are not initiated within 30 days of this letter, the DRMS will consider proceeding with enforcement actions. Please be aware, we are planning to perform a site inspection in late May 2021 to assess reclamation progress.



If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Cazier", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Timothy A. Cazier, P.E.
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