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Subject: FW: Raging River Quarry, Response to Periodic Review Comments

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Hello Amanda— I appreciate you forwarding me a copy of your November 20 correspondence to Raging River Quarry, LLC (RRQ) related to the proposed revision of RRQ's existing mining permit (KC File GRDE15-0004). I have reviewed this correspondence with RRQ, and they are preparing to respond as soon as they are able. However, for the reasons described below, it will not be possible to respond by the December 10, 2018 deadline identified in your letter. A one-month extension, to January 10, 2019, is required. The justification for this extension is outlined below.

First and foremost, circumstances beyond RRQ's control prevent them from responding by December 10. They learned on November 26 (subsequent to receiving your letter), that the parent company of their contract operator, Eastside Rock Products (ERP), has undergone an ownership change (change of control). ERP is contractually responsible for preparing responses to permitting requests, in cooperation with RRQ. The only responsible representative of ERP is the onsite operations manager, who has held the position for some time but has not been associated with the permit process. RRQ is working to get him and other principles up to speed as quickly as possible, but it will not happen by December 10.

Second, a three-week response period is not reasonable in light of the time that has elapsed since our last communication and the pending holidays. As you know, the level of detail and analysis being required through this permit process exponentially exceeds any previous requests related to this site. Accordingly, in July 2018, RRQ asked the County to provide sample plan from similar mine sites to use as a guide and a gauge for the level of detail the County is seeking. When that request was made, RRQ was committed to responding within 2 weeks of receipt of the plans. However, given the four months that has elapsed since the original request, and no advance notice that a detailed letter would be issued on November 20, a two-week response time is no longer reasonable.

In sum, the new ERP ownership and management team need reasonable time to review and determine their approach to addressing the requirements in your letter. Then, we will need to review ERP submittals to approve their content prior to submittal. A meaningful response cannot happen in two weeks. Accordingly, we request an extension to January 10, 2019 for delivery of the Traffic Management Plan, Road Surface Management Plan, Dust Mitigation Plan and Noise Mitigation Plan. The ability to meet the other deadlines in the letter are dependent upon study completion schedules that RRQ is unable to confirm at this time. We will provide additional information related to those deadlines after RRQ talks with its consultants in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your attention to this email, and feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss further.

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Courtney,
As follow-up to our emails this summer, please see the attached letter that was sent to John Priebe by email today.

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