

November 25, 2014

VIA PERSONAL DELIVERY

Mr. Tim Begley
Director of Engineering
Crossville City Hall
392 N. Main Street
Crossville, TN 38555

Re: Truck Traffic on Porcelain Tile Drive

Dear Mr. Begley:

Thank you for meeting with Mike Briggs and me on Monday to discuss the ongoing issue of truck traffic on Porcelain Tile Drive waiting to enter the Stone Peak Ceramics plant. On behalf of Crossville, Inc. ("Crossville"), I would like to express our thanks to the City for its time and effort to discuss and find a resolution to this important safety issue.

During our meeting, you presented the City's proposed plan to widen Porcelain Tile Drive as it approaches the entrance of Stone Peak's plant. We understand that the proposed project, which would be financed by the City at an approximate cost of \$40,000, would create four (4) spaces along Porcelain Tile Drive for trucks to wait/stand outside of Stone Peak's entrance.

With due respect, Crossville does not believe that the proposed plan will resolve the issue. Although the creation of parking spaces along Porcelain Tile Drive will remove a certain number of waiting trucks from the roadway, the plan does not resolve the safety issue of truck drivers getting into and out of their truck cabs. Truck drivers will still only be able to get in and out of their vehicles by walking in a live lane of oncoming traffic. It is only a matter of time until a truck driver will be hit by oncoming traffic after unexpectedly exiting his or her truck cab.

While the proposed plan does address the eroded roadway shoulder on Crossville's side of Porcelain Tile Drive the additional pavement will not replace the filtration provided by the original vegetation along the shoulder. As a result of decreased vegetation, Crossville is concerned that the amount of contaminants in the storm water will increase. Regardless of what decision is reached Crossville requests that the vegetation be restored to its original state.

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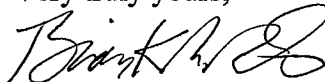
Moreover, the construction of four (4) spaces for trucks to park/stand is insufficient to address the amount of truck traffic. There are frequently more than four (4) trucks waiting outside of Stone Peak's entrance. In the event of future expansion, this problem will only worsen.

Finally, Crossville has spoken with another adjoining landowner, who has also voiced objections to the plan. This landowner believes, as Crossville does, that it makes little sense to devote \$40,000 of municipal funds for a plan that will not address all aspects of the problem.

Instead, Crossville believes that Stone Peak must take a more active role in resolving the problem. Stone Peak could reconfigure its parking lot to provide a location for trucks to park, wait, and turn around. We do not feel that a public right-of-way should be used as a staging area for private truck traffic management. Rather, Stone Peak should provide the necessary facilities to handle its truck traffic on its own property, just as Crossville and other manufacturers do.

Once again, Crossville appreciates the City's attention to this issue and giving Crossville the opportunity to participate in the discussion. Crossville would welcome the opportunity to discuss these issues further and offer its assistance in reaching a resolution that is fair and equitable for all involved.

Very truly yours,



Brian McDonald
Director of Engineering