

January 13, 2014

Department of Public Health  
Attn: Environmental Permitting and Inspections  
333 South State Street, Room 200  
Chicago, Illinois 60604

RE: Proposed Rules and Regulations for the Handling and Storage of Bulk Material Piles issued  
December 19, 2013

Dear Sir or Madam:

Ozinga Ready Mix Concrete, Inc. ("Ozinga") is an American, fourth generation, family-owned business serving Chicago and the surrounding area for over 85 years. Our commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship is most visible in our fleet of red and white striped concrete mixer trucks powered by clean and efficient compressed natural gas. In addition, Ozinga is making substantial investments in sustainable infrastructure through the installation of compressed natural gas fueling stations and through the development of environmentally friendly concrete such as Filtercrete, a pervious concrete pavement system that lessens the runoff from paved areas.

Generally, Ozinga supports the City of Chicago's efforts to curb fugitive dust emissions. Given the extraordinarily broad language of the regulations and the prescriptive natures of it's requirements, we would appreciate an opportunity to submit written comments. Yet providing meaningful comments is a time consuming process that requires research and investigation. We request that the date to submit written comments be extended.

This additional time is required to address the following issues, among others:

- Applicability of the proposed rule to a variety of facilities operated by Ozinga;
- Vagueness in the proposed definitions of various materials;
- Applicability and effectiveness of the proposed operating and maintenance practices, especially those that are prescriptive and those that require equipment supplied by others such as PM10 monitors and windscreens; and
- Workability of the timeframes proposed for compliance.

Each of these issues requires an extensive review of our facilities and consultation with others familiar with the technologies being required in order to provide meaningful comments.

We, therefore, respectfully request an extension of a minimum of 90 days beyond January 24, 2014 to provide written comments.

Sincerely,



Lloyd Meyer  
President, Chicago Division

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