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Forks of the Patuxent Improvement Association

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June 3, 1996

C. Edmon Larrimore
Maryland Department of the Environment
Water Management Administration
Minerals, Oil and Gas Division
Tawes State Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: Permit 96-SP-0500, Chesapeake Terrace, Inc.

Dear Mr. Larrimore,

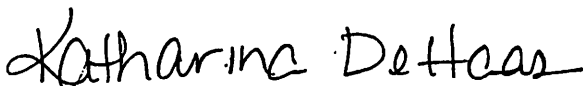
We would like to bring to your attention some of the discrepancies and concerns which have been found in the referenced application. Prior to approving the application, we request that you and your staff review the following items:

- Page 6, #6 (b) The application does not state that the location is either near or on Conway Road. Reference is made to Bragers Station Road and Patuxent Road.
- Page 7, #11 (a) The application states that a total 42 acres will be affected; however, a field report dated April 17, 1996 and signed by one of your staff states that 46.79 acres will be impacted. The field report also states an additional discrepancy (see enclosure).
- Page 11, #6 (c) The application states that all zoning approvals have been approved. This statement is not accurate. AA County and the Board of Appeals have not approved the proposed haul road location.
- Page 11, #6 (d) The application states that a "Possible Rubble Landfill" complies with present zoning. This is also incorrect. Chesapeake Terrace is not listed on the AA County Solid Waste Master Plan.
- Page 12, #7 (b and c) The application states that a stream containing flowing water will not be located within 25 feet of the proposed mining site. This particular site is known to flood several times throughout the year.

- Page 15, #11 This question is not completely been answered. The applicant has not provide the length, width or construction material for the proposed haul road.
- Page 15, #11 (a) The environmental impacts of calcium chloride must be considered as the proposed haul road and mining site abut non-wetlands.
- Page 17, #12 (a and b) The application states that no visual screening berms or vegetation will be used to screen the mining operation and haul road. This is not acceptable to our community association. The health, safety and quality of life must be taken into consideration.
- Page 17, #12 (c) The application states that the service facilities will be located at least 800 feet from Patuxent Road. Again there is no mention of Conway Road or the distance of the service facilities from Conway Road. This application appears to be a copy of a previously submitted version.
- Page 18, #14 (c) The application states that the sediment basin will be at least 1000 feet from any existing dwelling, but makes no mention of erecting a fence around the impounded water. The erection of a fence, is of utmost importance to the community as we feel the safety of neighboring residents must be considered.
- Page 19, #16 The application states that there will be no metal, lumber or debris left after completion of mining. Question 16 (c) states that the applicant proposes to leave the office and scale on the property in support of a rubble landfill. This proposal is also not acceptable to the community as the applicant is not on the AA County Solid Waste Master Plan.
- Page 19, #16 (b) Question has not been answered.

Thank you for your cooperation and attention in this matter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the undersigned at (301) 261-3424.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katharina DeHaas". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name and last name clearly distinguishable.

Katharina E. DeHaas
President

cc:

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