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Dear Zoning and Land Regulations Committee:

This letter is to inform you about our concern regarding the proposed CUP 2555 – Temporary Concrete Batch Plant for the airport expansion project that will be located at 3263 Nelson Road. Madison Crushing and Excavation Inc. submitted the application.

We can honestly say that we were unaware of how a concrete batch plant operated, but after doing some research it is clear to us that we do not want one in our neighborhood, even temporarily. Therefore, we are opposing the petition for CUP 2555 – Temporary Concrete Batch Plant.

Numerous studies have demonstrated the negative impact of Concrete Batch Plants, cement dust (particulate matter), noise/vibration pollution (loading and unloading of supplies and concrete, machinery needed to produce the concrete, vehicle noise, air pump supply and exhaust), water pollution (from concrete washout water), and air pollution (diesel emissions, cement dust, volatile organic compounds), which all contribute to having a negative impact to the environment and to the health of individuals exposed to the pollutants. In addition, we are concerned about the increased traffic that will occur during this time. As stated in the application, the trucks (approximately 12/hour) will be on the road Monday-Friday from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm and Saturdays from 6:00 am to 3:00 pm. Over the years the traffic has significantly increased on Nelson Road and adding more vehicles, especially trucks, cement mixers, and other large vehicles used for transporting materials, will be hazardous for individuals that utilize Nelson Road, especially because there is no sidewalk or shoulder. Many individuals, including us, utilize Nelson Road for walking, biking, or jogging and we feel this plant will greatly impact our ability to use Nelson Road. We disagree with the statement in the application that indicates the roads can handle the increased traffic. Also, during the summer months, when Madison Crushing and Excavation Inc. is operating out of the property, located at 3263 Nelson Road, the road gets covered with mud, sand, gravel, which will most likely become even worse if there is a Concrete Batch Plant located there as well.

Some questions we would appreciate answers to are listed below:

- 1. Why would a Concrete Batch Plant be considered so close to a residential area, even if it were temporary?
- 2. How long will the concrete plant be located at 3263 Nelson Road, and will the contract have strict dates for closure? Will there be wording in the contract to allow for the plant operation to be extended or will the need to get a new CUP? Will the contract ensure the hours of operation of the plant cannot be extended to further hours?
- 3. What other sites were considered for the temporary Concrete Batch Plant? If others sites were considered where were they located?

- 4. What steps are in place to eliminate the negative impacts these plants have on the environment and individuals' located near the plant? Was there an environmental impact study completed?
- 5. What agency will be overseeing the plant to make sure it is operating within the regulations. How often will the agency inspect the plant?
- 6. What precautions will be put in place to protect near by residents from any pollutants of the plant?
- 7. Will there be air monitoring in place? Will there be a bag house? How often will it be emptied and are the individuals trained to complete this task?
- 8. How will the water run off (wash water/storm water) be contained, so as not to contaminate the ground water? We are all on private wells in this area, so this is a big concern.
- 9. If approved and there are issues with the plant, where do we report our concerns? In addition, will the contract for the plant operation ensure the plant responds to the findings that breach its contract within a predetermined amount of time, or else need to shut down?
- 10. How can we be assured that the plant will not become permanent?
- 11. How can we be assured that, if the plant is approved, we will not experience any future consequences from having the plant located at 3263 Nelson Road after it is removed (for example, contaminated water)?

In summary, as you are now aware, we have multiple concerns regarding CUP 2555—Temporary Concrete Batch Plant for airport expansion project. It is foreseeable that this Concrete Batch Plant, even temporarily, will be very disruptive to our community, and could decrease property value. Please consider how this plant will have numerous negative impacts on our health and the environment before making your final decision.

Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Lori and Peter Kong Concerned Residents