

**Klevgard Mine
S788 Hwy 88
Gilmanton, WI 54755**

April 30th, 2014

Buffalo County
Board of Adjustments
407 South Second Street
Alma, WI 54620

Dear Sirs:

On May 6th, 2014 we will be before you to ask that item #32 and Appendix A of CUP 2011-18 be modified based on the following justifications:

Request #1

Add Additional Haul Route (Appendix A)

- We are proposing an additional haul route be added to our CUP - North on State Hwy 37 to East or West on Federal Hwy 10
 - This additional haul route is required due to the fact that no business can predict where they will ship their goods on a day to day basis
 - We have an order for sand from Muskie Proppants West on Federal Highway 10 and other orders pending that will use the new haul route East on Federal Highway 10.
 - There is also potential business that will utilize the already approved haul routes to the south
 - Approving this additional route will potentially ease truck traffic in towns to the south

Request #2

Extend the life of the mine to 20 years (Item #32)

- We are proposing to extend the life of the mine an additional 17 years beyond what was originally approved
 - There is no feasible way to extract the minerals in 3 years and execute the reclamation plan that has been approved without being in total disregard to the landowner and the surrounding communities
 - Removing an average of 350,000 tons of sand per year will take 20 years to complete mining and reclamation per the approved reclamation plan
 - Similar mines of this size have 20 year limits on their CUPs

We are aware that there may be some concerns that exist based on minutes from January 12th, 2012 and February 2nd, 2012 that may or may not be in direct correlation to the requests on the table today. We would like to address those questions/concerns up front.

The mine operator of the Klevgard mine is Kendall Klevgard. Advanced Sand & Proppants, LLC (ASP) owns the mineral rights on the property. ASP will assist Mr. Klevgard in the operation of the mine. ASP is 100% owned and operated by Aaron Keopple. David Arndt no longer has any involvement with ASP as he withdrew his position from the company in a settlement agreement from a recent lawsuit.

Aaron Keopple, Kendall Klevgard or ASP has no association with David Arndt or his company Polarna Sands.

Aaron Keopple has 10 years of mining experience ranging from the extraction of natural sandstone to drilling and blasting of public road projects. His company, Dunnville Cutstone, operates a historic dimensional sandstone quarry in Dunn County. Stone from this mine was used in many historic buildings in the local area. Another company owned by Mr. Keopple, Dunnville Drilling, is heavily involved in the frac sand industry drilling blast holes. In terms of safety, neither of Mr. Keopple's businesses has ever been issued a MSHA violation since their inception.

We hope that this letter will allow you the time to consider our requests and we will be available to address any other questions or concerns at the public hearing.

Sincerely,

Klevgard Mine/Kendall Klevgard/ASP

Cc: Ben Bublitz – Buffalo County Zoning Office