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To: The Mayor and Members of Council

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NEWS BULLETIN

Re. New Aggregates Act, Bill 127, First Reading

You probably will by now have received a copy of the Ministry of Natural Resources' new Aggregates Act. Comments have been requested by September 15th, 1979, to: Industrial Minerals Section, Ministry of Natural Resources, Room 4646, Whitney Block, 99 Wellesley Street West, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1W3. Phone: (416) 965-3127.

However, the Provincial Government has recently issued other policies which affect pits and quarries, which means that the Aggregates Act cannot be considered in isolation.

Before your Municipality comments on the new Act, we recommend that you review: Proposed Policies: Co-ordinated Program Strategy for the Ministry of Natural Resources in Southern Ontario, April 1979, "Mineral Aggregate Policy", p.10.

Comments have been requested by the Ministry of Natural Resources by July 30th, 1979.

We believe that you will find it very difficult, if not impossible, to evaluate the new Act without having the regulations that will be forthcoming under this Act, and the accompanying policy document. We therefore suggest that you write to Honourable James Auld, Minister of Natural Resources (at Room 6327 of the Whitney Block, address as above), and request copies of these documents, and ask that the comment date be moved back in line with that for the Aggregates Act, i.e. September 15th, 1979. We further recommend that your Municipality defer taking a position until these policies have been carefully studied.

The Foundation for Aggregate Studies is still carefully studying the Act and policies and will advise you of its views towards the end of August. In the meantime, if any further details are required, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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