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10/08/05.

Dear Mrs Coffey,

With regards to your letter dated 18/07/05, Lagan Cement would like to make the following comments. Firstly regarding the release of fugitive dust, the root cause and corrective action of same were communicated to the residents via a letter on 01/02/05 and to yourself on 01/03/05. All the information required by the EPA resulting from their investigation was sent on to the Agency. Lagan Cement is a cement manufacturing facility, with a licence to produce 6000,000 ton of high grade Portland grey cement.

Regarding our application to use meat and bone meal as an alternative source alongside our coal, the Department of Agriculture Food & Rural Development set the standards and supervise the testing of the meat and bone meal at the meat plant. There are no existing adverse effects, as this was addressed in the original environmental impact statement for the cement plant.

The views of all the surrounding neighbours are important to Lagan Cement and we will keep our neighbours updated on the progress of our application. I have attached a copy of the latest edition of our newsletter for your information.

Yours Sincerely

Brian Reynolds, Environmental Officer.

Lagan Cement Ltd.

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