

Public Comment – Lehigh Cement Plant

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He said he is a resident of Cupertino and very close to the Lehigh Cement Plant. He is pretty concerned because it appears that a hearing was held a few weeks ago which he attended where various residents voiced their concerns regarding the pollution that is being emitted by the plant. It is his understanding that the BAAQMD is allowing Lehigh double the amount of chromium 6 limits while this month California environmental officials released a new level of chromium 6. He is concerned with potential mercury and other health hazards that are known or not at this point associated with the plant. In addition, he must tell you that the noise emitted from the plant during the night is pretty significant to the point where it is a serious nuisance and disturbance to him and the rest of the residents in his house.

He would really appreciate the BAAQMD taking our concerns seriously and looking at this whole aspect. He knows that the EPA is issuing new restrictions on emissions by cement plants, and he is hoping that those are brought into effect right away. In any case, I'm sure you're getting a lot of other messages. As a concerned citizen and someone who pays a lot of property tax, he wants to ensure our concerns are heard and looked at carefully before a decision is made, which I hope you folks are doing. If you have any questions, feel free to call me. My cell phone is 408-393-5054.