



MISSOURI LIMESTONE PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION

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Missouri Department of Natural Resources
Director Carol Comer
1101 Riverside Drive
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Dear Director Comer,

The Missouri Limestone Producers Association is the statewide service organization that represents 158 member companies engaged in the production of crushed stone aggregate for commercial, residential, agricultural and infrastructure needs. The total amount of crushed stone produced in Missouri is nearly 70 million tons representing a value of about \$550 million, with a total economic impact of over \$1 billion.

During the May 28, 2020 stakeholder Air Program fee meeting, a proposal was presented to increase emission fees to \$53.00 per ton in 2021 and \$55 per ton in years after. The Missouri Limestone Producers Association would like to express its support regarding this proposal.

Over the course of the last several months, the Air Pollution Control Program has conducted a series of public stakeholder meetings to inform Missouri businesses on the financial situation facing the APCP and presented us with possible solutions. The MLPA applauds the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and this approach to keep Missouri industry informed on what the APCP is considering regarding fees. This process has been incredibly productive and informative and the MLPA appreciates being included in the discussion. We would also like to commend the APCP Director, Darcy Bybee, on conducting efficient and educational meetings.

The proposed emission fee amounts of \$53.00 per ton for 2021 and \$55.00 per ton thereafter is an acceptable solution to address the financial shortfall. While the MLPA understands that this is a short term solution, we look forward to working with APCP in the years to come to ensure that the program has the resources it needs to recruit and retain staff for the program.

Please do not hesitate in contacting me if the MLPA can help in supporting this proposal through the various administrative and legal processes it must go through to be implemented.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Morgan Mundell".

Morgan Mundell
MLPA Executive Director

cc: Darcy Bybee, APCP Director