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Benjamin C, Barnes, Commissioner. Cambridge License Commission

RE: Cambridge Research Park - Violation of the City work hours and Truck regulations on idling

Dear Commissioner Barnes:

Below is a partial list of egregious violations made by contractors working on Cambridge Research Park this month. This project has had many violation in the past. I hope your commission will assist the neighborhoods by enforcing and imposing sufficient penalties so these violations cease immediately. Similar violations came to your Commission's attention last summer, and you issued stern warnings to the violators not to repeat these violations But, as the listing below illustrates, they have done so repeatedly in recent days..

3/10/01 Saturday : Idling of truck engines in excess of five (5) minutes at 5:50 AM .
Thirteen (13) large dump trucks stopped on Third Street impeding the flow of traffic on Third Street and Linsky Way at 6:00 AM, more than half of which had their engines idling as noted above.

<u>Trucking Company</u>	<u>Truck #</u>
<i>Tiberio</i>	
<i>R. Porter</i>	<i>131.196,846</i>
<i>Brock</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>C's</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>A-1</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Ever Ready</i>	<i>7,11</i>
<i>M.P. Davis</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Heavy Hauling</i>	
<i>Rollex (2) trucks from Quebec, Canada</i>	

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3/10/01 Saturday: Starting work on site prior 9:00 AM. Work started: at 5:50 AM. The following work was observed at that time, and during the succeeding hour, on the site.

- Large mixing crane auger was drilling
- Fleet # 16 yellow Caterpillar front loader
- Fleet #1 orange Koning front loader
- Caterpillar moving dirt
- Large mixing chamber and generator running at 6:10 AM mixing bags of M I Gel
- Workers operating machines and guiding operators

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Loading of soil in to 18 wheeler trucks

In addition, the following important mitigation measures, to protect public safety were ignored:

No watering down of soil from front loader, to prevent dust from this brownfield site from going into the ambient air.
Exposed dirt piles with no tarps to prevent dirt and dust from blowing off site
Dirt falling off trucks on to 2nd Street, Binney Street, and Land Blvd.

3/17/01 Saturday , Idling of truck engines in excess of Five (5) minutes at
5:30 AM Sixteen (16) large dump trucks impeding the flow of traffic on Third Street and Linsky Way .

<u>Trucking Company</u>	<u>Truck#</u>
<i>Brock</i>	24
<i>Kelly & Sons</i>	24
<i>Mystic</i>	14, 21
<i>Charter Environmental</i>	2
<i>Bedard</i>	
<i>Licata</i>	16
<i>Torrisi</i>	10
<i>Tufts</i>	3
<i>Kelly</i>	31
<i>Tiberio</i>	
<i>CR Heavy Hauling</i>	
<i>Hutchenson</i>	
<i>DFD</i>	170
<i>Karepenko</i>	2,4,

3/17/01 Saturday :work started on site prior to 9:00 AM .Work was observed to begin at 6:15 AM

Large mixing crane auger was drilling
Large mixing chamber and generators running mixing bags of M I Gel
Workers operating machines and guiding operators

In addition, the following mitigation measures were ignored:
Exposed dirt piles with no tarps to prevent dirt and dust from blowing off site
Dirt from site was observed on public streets - 2nd Street and Binney Street, and Land Blvd.

These problems were brought to the attention of Lyme Properties at a disciplinary hearing last summer, and have still continued in my neighborhood. I have called your Chief Licensing Investigator on many occasions with previous violations. I learned later of one disciplinary hearing on September 5, 2000. No fines were issued at this hearing; only warnings and the

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developer's stated intent to inform their contractors and subcontractors of the city rules and regulations. Penalties for repeated violations are long overdue.

Please advise if further information is needed. I will try to attend the License Commission meeting this Tuesday 3/27/2001. Where Cambridge Research Park/Lyme Properties is applying for an extension of its gasoline storage and garage license.

Thank you for your prompt attention.

Joe Avin



cc: Association of Cambridge Neighborhoods
Boston Globe Mary Hurley
Cambridge Chronicle, Rob Greene
Cambridge City Council c/o City Clerk
Cambridge Police Commissioner, Donald Watson
Cambridge Traffic, Parking and Transportation Sue Clippinger
Lyme Properties



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Consent Communication #8

A communication was received from Joseph Avin, 106 Spring Street, transmitting concern of work hours and idling trucks at Cambridge Research Park.

In City Council April 2, 2001

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