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Newspapers: Three Forks, Bozeman Daily Chronicle and Townsend Star

RE: Legal Notice on Proposed Five Year Bond Determination and Proposed Bond Release for Holcim, Inc., Trident Quarries

Dear Editor:

Please place the following notice in the next legal publication section of your newspaper, weekly addition or Sunday addition for two weeks:

Legal Notice

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has completed a five-year comprehensive bond review of the Holcim, Inc. Trident quarries located in Sections 3, 4, 9, 10, 13 and 24, Township 2 North, Range 2 East near Three Forks. DEQ has determined that an increase in the bond is necessary to cover current costs of reclamation. DEQ is also proposing a partial bond release for a 10.5 acre limestone quarry located at the mine site and a full bond release for a 14.8 acre sandstone quarry. The bond releases reflect completed regrading, topsoiling and seeding at these two quarries and weed control at the sandstone quarry. Bond for weed control in the amount of $7,400 would be retained for the limestone quarry.

The current obligated bond is $3,095,307. With the partial bond release for the limestone quarry and the full bond release for the sandstone quarry taken into consideration, DEQ proposes to increase the bond to $3,290,235.

Reclamation bond release procedures are set forth in Section 82-4-338, MCA. DEQ is publishing this proposed bond determination, including the proposed bond releases, and issuing a press release to provide an opportunity for comment from the public and from Holcim. Comments should be submitted to DEQ by December 10, 2008.

A copy of the bond calculations that form the basis for the proposed bond determination can be obtained by contacting the Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Environmental Management Bureau, P. O. Box 200901, 1520 E. Sixth Ave., Helena, MT 59620-0901, or by calling Herb Rolfes at (406) 444-3841 or e-mail at **hrolfes@mt.gov**.

To expedite payment, please send ***your invoice, tear sheet, and affidavit of publication*** to DEQ at the address below to the attention of Laura Turner indicating that the bill applies to **EMB 5039-0084**. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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