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Hi Austin,

I spoke with Chris Bayham from DEQ today. He stated that the complaintant has made overwhelming accusations about continued hazardous waste from me. He has responded numerous times to the complaintant by email that there is no hazardous materials nor a threat to neighboring properties. The complaintant then switched to the claim of endangering his health through air quality toxins and hazardous metals. Chris referred this to the air quality side of DEQ and they found no valid complaint based on the lab tests done and referred this to Marion County. I believe this is part of you criteria. There no response is their response. Could you make this very clear to the committee? Also does the county fact check anything that seems questionable in his written presentation? O happen to work on a weekly basis with NRCS, Watershed agencies, Tribal Groups, OWRC and the Oregon cherry growers. He used various logos of there with his own opinions. They are not happy and do not support his comments. I will have this in my rebuttal written presentation but it seems like I am fighting a whole lot of fiction. I also have sent and spoken to Dustless Blasting about his statements about their product and his comments. They stated for me to use their information and photos for wet Blasting. They are also send his presentation to their legal department. Thanks and enjoy the vacation.

Ken Pappas

