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Ms. Leigh Smith
Jefferson County Vision
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Dear Ms. Smith:

I am writing in response to your letter dated August 29, 2018, in which you detailed your concerns about the Rockwool manufacturing facility being constructed in Jefferson County.

I appreciate your concerns and your desire to learn more about this facility, in particular the Jefferson Orchards Voluntary Remediation Program (VRP) Project #17031. I hope this letter will answer all your questions, and I ask that you share these responses with others who have similar concerns.

WVDEP has created a Rockwool Facility project webpage (<https://dep.wv.gov/news/Pages/RockwoolInformation.aspx>) dedicated to informing concerned citizens like yourself about the current status of this project. In addition to information about the VRP, this webpage includes information about the air permit, construction stormwater permit, and correspondence regarding the facility. All the VRP documents listed in your letter are currently posted on this webpage.

I have attached a copy of this project's public notice to this email for your reference. This public notice was published in *The Martinsburg Journal* on July 18, 2017, with all the required information listed in your letter. You will find the name and contact information for the original applicant, Licensed Remediation Specialist, and WVDEP Project Manager in that notice. The application was amended in January 2018 to change the applicant from Jefferson Orchard, Inc. to Roxul USA Inc. The current applicant's information is listed in the "Jan. 31, 2018: VRP Application Amendment" posted on the webpage. For your convenience, I am also providing that contact information here:

Roxul USA Inc.
4594 Cayce Road
Byhalia, MS 38611
Contact: Kenneth J. Cammarato, VP/General Counsel
Phone: 662-851-4734
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The VRP project is currently in the site assessment phase. The soil investigation has been completed and approved by WVDEP, and no contaminant concentrations in samples were above the defined and published West Virginia industrial de minimis levels (the acceptable levels for industrial property use). Preliminary groundwater investigation has been completed, and additional investigation will be initiated this fall. All data is expected to be received by the end of the year. You may view the current site assessment information, including all sample data, by opening the "Sept. 2017: VRP Site Characterization Report" posted on the webpage. To avoid any confusion, please note that the "Sept. 2017: VRP Site Characterization Report" posted on the webpage is the Site Assessment Report.

Given the current known site conditions, WVDEP expects that the remedy for the site is to place activity and use limitations on the property by filing a Land Use Covenant attached to the property deed. Two (2) anticipated activity and use limitations include use of the property for industrial purposes only and prohibition of groundwater extraction. I have attached "A Guide to Land Use Covenants in West Virginia" for more information about this remedy type.

Thank you again for contacting WVDEP with your concerns. If there is anything else we can do to help yourself or others learn the facts about this project, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Casey E. Korbini". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'C'.

Casey Korbini
Deputy Director for Remediation Programs