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To Whom It May Concern:

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I believe the safety and health of my family is at risk. The quarry proposed by Vulcan could endanger not only our health but the safety of driving on the highway that leads to our home. The dust from the blasting could affect the quality of the air that my children breathe. My family drinks water from a shallow well and any contaminants (diesel fuel, sewage, industrial chemicals...) could easily be ingested by my family if it were improperly disposed of. We are also concerned that the functionality of our well could be compromised by the quarry's blasting or changes to the water use that might drain our water source or change to flow of the water within the shallow veins of water running through the gravel. These issues regarding water and air have NOT been addressed to my family's satisfaction and we are unsure of the implications to our health.

I also have a very large concern about our safety on the highway. I am a stay at home mother of two, three later this year. In the fall I will be driving my children at least two times a day to pick up/drop off my son at school. I am highly concerned that a large number of trucks will compromise our safety on the road. Assuming that every driver Vulcan hires is very responsible and has a great driving history, which I do not feel is likely, there is still the statistical increase of accidents when traffic on a road increases. Therefore, just by having the trucks on the road my family is more likely to be injured in a car accident. If we take into account the amount of trucks and the likelihood that at least some of these drivers are going to be less than responsible drivers the risk is even higher. A train would reduce the risk of being mowed by a truck while carting my children to school, but would create noise pollution that is not desired in the area.

We live in a peaceful area. We moved here because we wanted a peaceful, quiet, safe place to raise our children. I am appalled that ALL of those qualities that we value are at risk today.

Sincerely,

Corey Burke

Natalie Burke

Corey and Natalie Burke and family