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MAC Construction Attempts to Close Hearing to Public and Media in Jeffersonville Asphalt Plant Case

Jeffersonville Citizens Outraged by Attempt to Stop Transparency

Jeffersonville, August 13, 2014: Attorneys for MAC Construction & Excavating, Inc. have filed a last-minute motion with Clark County Circuit Court to keep secret the proceedings of a hearing scheduled for Thursday, August 14. The hearing concerns the four year old zoning battle against MAC Construction's Jeffersonville asphalt plant.

MAC's motion, filed yesterday, asks the court to limit the attendees in the courtroom to only the parties and their counsel. If granted, this would keep the public and the media out of the courtroom and keep the proceedings secret. These types of proceedings are typically open to the public and the media.

One Jeffersonville resident who, wished to remain anonymous, stated, *"This is simply outrageous. This case has been in the court system for four years and is there due, in part, to the fact that the Jeffersonville zoning process lacking any sort of transparency."*

Another Jeffersonville resident, who also wished to remain anonymous, voiced the same concerns about transparency in this case, *"They can't simply hide the truth from the public and the media. We have a right to know the facts about this asphalt plant. We are the ones who have to breathe the fumes coming from it. We live with this issue every day."*

The hearing, scheduled for Thursday, August 14 at 9:00 a.m. at the Jeffersonville Courthouse, will determine if any of the parties are entitled to judgment as a matter of law. All parties have summited Motions for Summary Judgment.

If you would like to learn more about the resident's struggle against the MAC Construction asphalt plant in Jeffersonville, please view our video reports on this issue on the **video archive** page of our web site: <http://www.incin.org/eyeonconstruction.html>

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