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**BREAKING NEWS - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **Jeffersonville Mayor Mike Moore Revokes MAC Construction's Asphalt Plant Zoning Permit** *Resident's Fight Now Moves to Board of Zoning Appeals*

**Jeffersonville, November 11, 2014:** In what is being hailed as a temporary victory in the long struggle against MAC Construction's Jeffersonville asphalt plant, Mayor Mike Moore has revoked MAC's zoning permit for the plant. Jeffersonville residents have been fighting the plant's location near their homes and a local elementary school for five (5) years.

The permit was revoked via a letter to MAC's attorney on November 6. MAC now has the right to appeal the permit revocation to the Jeffersonville Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA). If denied by the BZA, MAC will have to discontinue operation of the plant or face enforcement action by the City of Jeffersonville.

Plaintiff Pat Barrow commented on the revocation decision, *"Mayor Moore made the right decision for the residents and children of Jeffersonville who have lived for years breathing the awful fumes coming out of that plant. Mayor Moore stood up for the people of Jeffersonville."* Barrow went on to say, *"We greatly hope that the Board of Zoning Appeals will stand with the residents and children of Jeffersonville as well and deny any application for a variance which is filed for the continued operation of the plant."*

At issue over the years has been the fumes and other potential pollutants emitted from the plant. A quick check of MAC's Federally Enforceable State Operation Permit (FESOP) which is issued by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) lists a number of very serious pollutants which the plant is allowed to emit in certain quantities. Some of the more ominous chemicals are:

- Benzene
- Arsenic
- Nickel
- Dichlorobenzene
- Xylene
- Mercury
- Toluene
- Cadmium
- Hexane
- Selenium
- Chromium
- Formaldehyde
- Beryllium
- Phenol
- Cobalt

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