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Subject: Case number H-26-03

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to oppose the rezoning of the property on Powerline rd from AG to C-4 for use of a concrete batch plant. My family and I live off of Powerline rd and are deeply invested in this decision . I have a daughter born with a congenital heart defect who would be at a high risk when playing outdoors in poor air quality .

Living nearby a cement plant poses serious risks including respiratory disorders, cardiovascular diseases, and increased mortality rates. The EPA recognizes that “the cement sector is the third largest industrial source of pollution, emitting more than 500,000 tons per year of sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxide, and carbon monoxide.” There are many documented lawsuits and settlements proving that concrete companies often do not adhere to the Clean Air Act guidelines and regulations . This poses a risk to the many residents and farm animals living in the area. By the time proper regulations are enforced it is often after the fact that the community is left with lasting health impacts .

Secondly, the roads cannot handle the constant wear and tear from the cement trucks. Previously there was a “no thru” sign posted on Lockhart rd that was removed. Can the planning commission confirm that the surrounding roads are built to the highest standard and can handle the constant traffic ?

Looking ahead to proposed developments possibly coming to Lockhart Rd as well as the new addition of Benton hills, this concrete batch plant poses logistical nightmares. Current and future residents should not be subjected to serious health risks, constant noise and light pollution , faulty roads and poor traffic flow .

I have attached links that I have referenced regarding health risks and The EPAs guidelines and hope you will read to educate yourself more deeply on the risks of this decision . I also have added some links to recent Florida specific news articles relating to the daily impacts that concrete plants have on the environment and community . I appreciate you taking the time to consider my perspective .

Sincerely ,
Rachel Aguilar

<https://www.epa.gov/enforcement/cement-manufacturing-enforcement-initiative#emissions>

<https://www.alligator.org/article/2026/05/quikrete-cement-plant-noise>

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC12298550/>

<https://www.miamiherald.com/news/local/community/article258731778.html>

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We are oppose the rezoning for this Plant due to heavy truck traffic road damage and safety risks and environmental concerns reduce property values

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Hello I would like to write in reference to case H-26-03- Power Line Rd that I am against the rezoning of this property for commercial use. I believe this would be a major disadvantage to the residents of the area as well as harmful to the community.

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