



# Press release

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Lafarge North America Inc.

## **LAFARGE RAVENA CALLS FOR EXTENSION OF COMMENT PERIOD FOR DRAFT TITLE V OPERATING AIR PERMIT Community Would Have Greater Opportunity to Provide Input with Additional Time**

Lafarge Ravena yesterday formally requested an extension of the public comment period for its draft Title V Operating Air Permit. The extension request, submitted to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Commissioner Alexander "Pete" Grannis, would add additional days to the current 30-day time period for public comment on the cement facility's permit.

"Public involvement in the renewal process is absolutely critical," said John Reagan, Lafarge Ravena environmental manager. "We welcome and value community input and encourage all interested parties to learn more about the draft permit which creates a first-of-its-kind cap on mercury emissions for a New York cement manufacturer."

The permit, which is up for renewal, governs the level of air emissions from the facility located in Coeymans, New York. The permit is available for download on the NYSDEC website: [http://www.dec.ny.gov/dardata/boss/afs/draft\\_atv\\_1.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/dardata/boss/afs/draft_atv_1.html)

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The Lafarge Group is the world leader in building materials, with top-ranking positions in all of its businesses: Cement, Aggregates & Concrete and Gypsum. Lafarge North America Inc. ("Lafarge North America" or "Lafarge"), a Lafarge Group company, is the largest diversified supplier of construction materials in the United States and Canada.

In 2009 and for the fifth year in a row, the Lafarge Group was listed in the "Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations in the World". With the world's leading building materials research facility, the Lafarge Group places innovation at the heart of its priorities, working for sustainable construction and architectural creativity.

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