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Please vote NO on S.197

April 25, 2018

Dear Honorable Representatives,

On behalf of Hinesburg Sand & Gravel, I would like to express our concerns regarding S.197.

Hinesburg Sand & Gravel is a third generation Vermont family-owned company with 21 employees. We produce sand, stone and crushed gravel for federal, state and local government and for the private sector. Our materials are incorporated into roads, winter sand, buildings, water filtration, septic systems, farm bedding, top soil, asphalt, concrete and many other products. These products are essential for daily life. According to recent government statistics, Americans use an average of 22,000 pounds of earth resource material per year per person.

S.197 would have a serious negative impact on all earth resource companies. It exposes us to undue liability for damages even if we are in compliance with State and Federal permits. The vagueness of the exposure limits and thresholds for release adds uncertainty to our business which will increase insurance and other costs. All of this stemming from something which is the second largest component of the earth's crust.

Thank you for your consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Casey

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President

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