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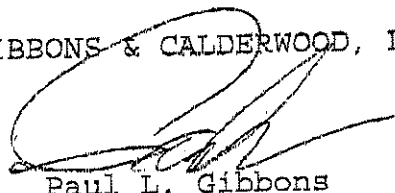
RE: Dragon Products Solid Waste Facility application

Dear Mr. Scott:

Enclosed please find the Town of Thomaston's petition to
intervene in Dragon Products Solid Waste Facility application.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

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STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
IN THE MATTER OF

DRAGON PRODUCTS COMPANY, INC.
Thomaston, Knox County
SCHEDULE OF COMPLIANCE
S-020777-WD-A-R / S-020778-WD-A-R

PETITION BY THE TOWN OF
THOMASTON TO INTERVENE

Now comes the Town of Thomaston pursuant to Title 38 M.R.S.A. § 345- *et seq* and Chapter 30 of the Rules of the Department of Environmental Protection, through their undersigned counsel, and petitions the Board of Environmental Protection "the Board" for leave to intervene as a party in the above captioned matter. The Town of Thomaston wishes to participate as a party, to offer testimony and evidence, and to participate in cross examination.

The Town of Thomaston has a direct and substantial interest in participating in this hearing. There is nothing more important for a Town to do than to exercise its police powers to protect citizens, including Neighbors for a Safe Dragon, from environmental harm from activities taking place within the confines of the Town of Thomaston. Likewise, the Town of Thomaston has a compelling need to protect the economy within its borders including Dragon Products Cement Plant operations which constitutes the largest industry within the Town, the largest taxpayer, and which offers full- time employment for a significant number of Thomaston's residents. Voters of the Town of Thomaston are so concerned about the future economic viability of the Dragon Cement Plant that they recently approved a multi-million dollar Tax

Increment Financing package to help with the multi-million dollar restoration and expansion to the existing plant facility.

By participating in the public hearings process in the Dragon Cement Plant's Solid Waste Permit application, the Town of Thomaston seeks to both protect its citizens from environmental harm and to allow the newly expanded Dragon Cement Facility to operate in a stable, economically viable environment.

The Town of Thomaston is of the opinion that the needs of the citizens of the Town, including Neighbors for a Safe Dragon, and the needs of Dragon Cement Products, can both be satisfied. In an effort to seriously review the application, the Town of Thomaston has hired Dr. Peter Garrett, Emery and Garrett Groundwater, Inc., of Waterville, to assist the Town in reviewing the pending Dragon application and to review hydro-geological issues that the application presents. By participating in this hearing, it is the goal of the Town of Thomaston to ensure that the health and safety and welfare of its citizens are protected and to ensure that Dragon Cement's operation can continue to operate, and in a manner that is environmentally safe. In filing this petition the Town of Thomaston, at the present, neither objects nor consents to the Dragon Products' pending application.

The Town of Thomaston seeks to be permitted to intervene, to become a party in the proceeding, and to be permitted to participate in the hearing.

WHEREFORE, based upon the above and based upon the Town of Thomaston's need to protect its citizenry from environmental harm, and to allow the proper operation of an important industrial facility within the borders of the Town of Thomaston, the Town of Thomaston respectfully requests that it be granted leave to intervene in this proceeding before the Board.

Dated: October 15, 2005



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