

October 28, 2005 San Ramon, CA  
Project 1993-1

Mr. Marcel Uzegbu  
City of Oakland  
Public Works Department  
250 Frank Ogawa Plaza  
Suite 430  
Oakland, CA 94612

**RE: LEONA QUARRY PROJECT  
CONTINUATION OF WINTER  
GRADING OPERATIONS**

Dear Mr Uzegbu:

At your request, Lowney Associates has reviewed the letter from Berlogar Geotechnical Consultants (BGC) dated October 26, 2005 regarding the continuation of construction operations at the Leona Quarry site during the winter of 2005-2006. The BGC letter describes the scope of work planned by the contractor. We understand that the work will consist of the offhaul of soil, fine grading of building lots and street areas, retaining wall backfill and utility installation. Mass grading is not planned.


Provided that BGC continues to provide field inspection during the progress of the work, and that appropriate measures (as detailed in the approved SWPPP) are implemented in the event of a rain forecast, we see no geotechnical reason to deny the contractor approval to continue work.

Throughout the winter months, we recommend that the area disturbed at any one time be kept to a minimum and that the remainder of the work area be protected against wind and rain erosion to the maximum extent practicable.

Please call if we can provide any further information.

Sincerely,

**LOWNEY ASSOCIATES**



Scott R. Huntsman, Ph.D., G.E., CPESC  
Associate, Area Manager

Copies: Addressee  
Charley Lella, DeSilva Gates