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I submitted comments in regard to the Harrison Concrete violations of hours of operation on 12/9. In response to the new Proposed Citation I wish to reiterate my comments. According the statements made by Mr. Garceau it seems that the board need only to review the Batch Plant records to see how many times the business is in violation of their hours of operation as defined by the business in its entirety. Mr. Garceau stated "it should be clarified that operation of the facility is just that" in regard to exclusively addressing their batch operation. I beg that you as a board recognize the remaining aspects of the plant that are a significant portion of their operation, and the aspects that are most disruptive to the neighborhood which they reside. The comments of Mr. Garceau acknowledged just a few of the dates in which the board would see their batch records going beyond mixing at those times. As I stated before, it is not the mixing which I am aware of within the business. I could not, nor would I try to make claim of their mixing operations. I do not see within their plant nor do I wish to. I see large cement trucks on the road after 6pm frequently in the summer. I hear loud crashing noises past 6pm coming from within their property. These are the happenings that occur after a batch is loaded into a truck. The truck must run to its destination, empty, return, and clean out. So for example in Mr. Garceaus claim that on 4/23 the batch ended at 1820, we can only speculate on how far that load must have traveled, how long it took to be poured, how long it took the truck to return, and how long it took to clean out before the business is done operating that truck for the day. The violations are so frequent and have been brought to the attention of our town Zoning Board only to have fallen on deaf ears to the point that we as neighbors had given up on seeing anything change. They also seem to share a misunderstanding or an over tolerance for what is often addressed in meetings to be the nature of the concrete business that you must finish a job. HRM is a long standing business with a great ability to anticipate the steps involved and timing a job. We are not addressing three times in a year that the mixer may have gone on record as having run over. Three times per year would hardly draw our attention. This is not a rarity. You will notice from the log of just one persons dates and times that you have received that it is not just three dates that make this an issue of concern. The log that you received was not that of a person watching the gate with nothing better to do. Please recognize that the reason that these violations come to our attention is because we are out trying to enjoy our homes and road and late operations interfere with that. It is the reason that the hours of operation were set by the board to begin with. My young children have come to expect and are prepared to encounter the large trucks as we take evening bike rides along our road after 6pm during the week. We shrug in no surprise as we encounter concrete truck drivers having to open the gate, programmed to close 2hrs after the end of their approved hours of operations, as we observe them even after 8pm. It is with great hope that I appeal to this board to enforce the hours of operation in its true definition set by the town, and the state, and agreed to by HRM. Thank you for your time.  
Sincerely, Laura Dattilio