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INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO Mr. Speaker DATE Monday Nov. 2, 1981
FROM: Don Roberts
SUBJECT: Information and notes for talk to Ohio Aggregates Association

Event: Luncheon meeting, The Ohio Aggregates Association.

Location: University Hilton Inn, Olentangy River Road, Columbus. Clipper Room

Date: Wednesday, November 4, 1981

Contact Person: Bob Wilkinson, Managing Director, OGA Phone 224 2717

Notes: Your friend Al Rice originally asked you to make this talk. About 250 will attend, mostly Republican businessmen, Al says.

They will have had a legislative report earlier on specific bills that affect their industry. See attached list for your reference.

They asked that you talk about the State budget and some issues that will face the State of Ohio in the future. And, your own political plans.

Reference notes attached on differences in budget bill and the Ohio Aggregates Association; ~~some~~

REMARKS BY
OHIO HOUSE SPEAKER VERN RIFFE
TO THE
OHIO AGGREGATES ASSOCIATION
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1981
NOON
CLIPPER ROOM, UNIVERSITY HILTON INN
COLUMBUS, OHIO

OPENING

PRESIDENT MALISHER, DIRECTOR BOB WILKINSON, OFFICERS,
MEMBERS AND GUESTS OF THE OHIO AGGREGATES ASSOCIATION.
THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME. BACK IN SEPTEMBER WHEN MY FRIEND
AL RICE CALLED TO INQUIRE IF I MIGHT HAVE TIME TO APPEAR HERE
TODAY I WASN'T SURE BUT I SAID YES. AL RICE IS VERY CONVINCING
WHEN HE TALKS ABOUT WHAT A FINE ORGANIZATION THIS IS.

AS YOU REQUESTED I'LL MAKE A FEW COMMENTS ON THE STATE
BUDGET BILL, AND ON MY OWN POLITICAL PLANS.

THE STATE BUDGET BILL

AMENDED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 694 WAS PASSED BY THE HOUSE ON SEPTEMBER FIRST. EARLIER WE HAD PASSED A FOUR MONTH INTERIM BUDGET TO ALLOW MORE TIME TO STUDY THE STATE'S REVENUE SITUATION, FIND OUT WHAT THE FEDERAL BUDGET WOULD BE LIKE, AND TO OBSERVE THE CRAZY UNEMPLOYMENT AND INFLATION PROBLEMS WE HAVE. WE FELT THAT WE COULD DO A BETTER JOB OF WRITING A PERMANENT BUDGET IF WE WAITED UNTIL NOW TO COMPLETE IT.

THE SENATE REDUCED BOTH TAXING AND SPENDING LEVELS IN THE HOUSE BILL WHEN IT ACTED LAST WEEK.

THE BILL IS NOW BEFORE A JOINT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE WITH THREE HOUSE MEMBERS AND THREE SENATORS WORKING TO FIND THE COMMON GROUND THAT WILL GIVE US A COMPROMISE 19 MONTH STATE BUDGET ACT.

HOW THE HOUSE AND SENATE DIFFER ON THE BILL

THERE ISN'T TIME HERE AND NOW TO GIVE YOU A COMPLETE RUN DOWN ON THIS BUDGET BILL BUT I WILL LAY OUT THE HIGHLIGHTS.

THE HOUSE TAX PLAN WOULD HAVE YIELDED \$1.850 BILLION IN NEW TAXES. THE SENATE CUT THAT TO \$1.540 BILLION.

YOU MAY RECALL THAT I REDRAFTED A PREVIOUS BUDGET BILL AND TOOK THE LEAD ON NEW PERMANENT TAXES BECAUSE I KNOW HOW SERIOUS OUR PROBLEM OF KEEPING THE SCHOOLS OPEN REALLY IS. ALSO, MANY OTHER VITAL, CRITICAL STATE SERVICES TO PEOPLE NEED ADDITIONAL FUNDS AND THE ONLY WAY WE HAVE TO RAISE MONEY IS THROUGH THE TAX SYSTEM.

OTHER DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE HOUSE AND SENATE:

1. THE SENATE CUT ~~\$13~~ ^{\$135.8} MILLION FROM ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION.

2. THE SENATE CUT ~~\$124~~ ^{\$130-} MILLION FROM HIGHER EDUCATION.
3. THE SENATE CUT ~~\$42~~ ^{\$45} MILLION FROM MENTAL HEALTH AND \$28 MILLION FROM MENTAL RETARDATION SERVICES.
4. THE SENATE CUT ~~\$167~~ ^{\$258-} MILLION FROM WELFARE.

THE SENATE REDUCED APPROPRIATIONS BY A TOTAL OF ~~\$675~~ ^{\$674} MILLION WHILE REDUCING THE PROPOSED NEW TAX REVENUE BY \$309 MILLION.

OF COURSE THERE ARE DOZENS OF OTHER CHANGES MADE BY THE SENATE IN THE HOUSE BILL, BUT THOSE I'VE LISTED ARE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT AND FUNDAMENTAL .

WHAT HAPPENS NOW

THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MET MONDAY AFTERNOON AND STARTED TO WORK. IT HAS BEEN MEETING TODAY AND WILL CONTINUE WORKING VERY HARD TO FIND THE COMMON GROUND.

IN ORDER TO HAVE A PERMANENT STATE BUDGET FOR THE NEXT NINETEEN MONTHS WE WILL HAVE TO AGREE ON THE TAX LEVELS, THE

TAX METHODS AND THE SPENDING LEVELS. THIS IS NOT EASY.

AMONG THE HOUSE AND SENATE MEMBERS THERE ARE VERY WIDE GAPS

IN POINT OF VIEW. YOU KNOW THAT FROM WATCHING THE PROCESS.

WE DEMOCRATS IN THE HOUSE INTEND TO FIGHT IN ORDER TO
PROVIDE THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS WITH ENOUGH MONEY TO REMAIN OPEN.

WE ARE THINKING OF THE PUPILS WHO MUST HAVE 180 DAYS OF SCHOOL
EVERY YEAR.

WE DEMOCRATS IN THE HOUSE WILL NOT ALLOW OUR COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES TO SUFFER FURTHER FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES. HERE AGAIN
WE HAVE AS FOREMOST IN OUR MINDS THE STUDENTS AND THE HIGH
TUITION AND FEES THEY ARE PAYING. YES, WE ARE PARENTS TOO AND
MANY OF US ARE PAYING THAT TUITION.

WE DEMOCRATS IN THE HOUSE WILL NOT PERMIT MENTAL HEALTH AND
MENTAL RETARDATION SERVICES TO FALL BELOW PROPER LEVELS. WE WILL
NEVER PERMIT SOME OF OUR CITIZENS TO SUFFER THE AGONY OF HUNGER

AND DEPRIVATION BECAUSE WE WOULD NOT FIGHT FOR ADEQUATE WELFARE SERVICES.

BOTH HOUSES AGREE IN GENERAL ON THE FIGURES FOR A LONG OVERDUE STATE EMPLOYEE PAY RAISE, AND ON A NUMBER OF OTHER POINTS.

THESE DIFFERENCES AND THE LEVEL AND METHOD OF TAXING ARE BEING DEALT WITH RIGHT NOW BY THAT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE. OUR HOPE IS THAT WITHIN HOURS WE WILL REACH AGREEMENT. IF SO, THE COMMITTEE WILL REPORT TO BOTH CHAMBERS. IF ENOUGH MEMBERS IN BOTH HOUSES VOTE YES ON AN AGREED CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT WE WILL HAVE A STATE BUDGET BILL UNTIL JULY 1st, 1983, PROVIDING THE GOVERNOR SIGNS IT.

A WORD ABOUT TAXES

AS A SMALL BUSINESSMAN, I LIKE YOU, AM ALWAYS CONCERNED ABOUT MY PERSONAL AND BUSINESS TAXES. THEY MUST BE REASONABLE SO THAT MY BUSINESS CAN SURVIVE AND EARN A LIVING FOR MY FAMILY AND MY

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EMPLOYEES. EVERYONE HERE SHARES THAT CONCERN WITH ME I'M SURE.

DURING THE PAST MONTHS MANY OF MY FELLOW LAWMAKERS AND I HAVE GIVEN COUNTLESS HOURS OF STUDY, RESEARCH AND THOUGHT TO OHIO'S STATE TAX SYSTEM. WE WANT TO LEVY TAXES IN THE MOST EQUITABLE WAY IN ORDER TO SUPPORT OUR STATE GOVERNMENT SO THAT IT CAN DO THE MOST GOOD FOR THE MOST PEOPLE. WE WANT TO BE COMPLETELY FAIR WITH ALL CITIZENS. AND WE WANT TO BE RIGHT.

THE TAX PACKAGE THAT I DRAFTED WAS A WELL THOUGHT OUT AND WELL PLANNED APPROACH. CERTAINLY MANY BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS WERE UNHAPPY WITH IT -- MAINLY BECAUSE THEY WERE INCLUDED IN THE TAX PAYING GROUP FOR THE FIRST TIME. THEY LOBBIED THE SENATE HARD TO BE REMOVED AS MANY WERE.

SOME SAY IT IS POLITICALLY FATAL IN OHIO TO TAKE THE LEAD ON NEW AND ADDITIONAL TAXES. THAT MAY BE. HOWEVER, WHEN I

TOOK MY OATH AS A STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND AS SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, I SWORE TO DO MY DUTY AS I SEE IT. I SEE MY DUTY AS LEADING ON ISSUES, EVEN IF THEY ARE EXTREMELY UNPOPULAR, IF THAT IS WHAT MUST BE DONE.

WE MUST RAISE SOME TAXES AND DO IT PERMANENTLY IF WE ARE TO KEEP OUR SCHOOLS OPEN, OUR UNIVERSITIES OF QUALITY, AND PROVIDE ALL THE OTHER SERVICES THAT OUR CITIZENS DESERVE, NEED, EXPECT, AND DEMAND.

I BELIEVE THAT THE TIME HAS COME IN OUR BELOVED STATE WHERE MOST CITIZENS UNDERSTAND THAT WE ALL MUST DIG A LITTLE DEEPER TO MAINTAIN THE BETTER LIFE AND SUPPORT OUR PUBLIC, GOVERNMENT PROVIDED SERVICES.

MY POLITICAL PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

(MR. SPEAKER-YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN HERE)

Reference Notes

HOW BUDGET BILL DIFFERS
(Am. Sub. HB 694)

HOUSE

Raises the tax on beer and wine by 50 percent.

Makes cigarettes subject to the state sales tax.

Makes previously untaxed services such as vehicle repairs and cable TV service subject to the state sales tax which would be boosted from 4 percent to 5 percent.

Imposes a 1 percent tax on telephone and telegraph services to begin when the federal excise tax drops from 2 percent in January.

SENATE

Adds a penny to the 4 cents on the dollar state sales tax.

Applies an excise tax to soft drinks similar to that on beer and wine, raising the cost of a can of soda pop about one cent.

Raises the tax on Ohio insurance companies from 3 mills to 7 mills.

Applies the sales tax to cigarette and drops the state excise tax on cigarettes from 15 cents to 14 cents.

Requires financial institutions to pay the corporate franchise tax.

Reference Notes

Am. HB 117	D. Locker	Register Agricultural additives	Effective 11-5-81
HB 385	Bowers	Geological Mapping Special Account	Senate (Energy, Natural Resources & Environment)
HB 438	S. Brown	Restrict non-family farming	House Rules
HB 562	Deering	Surface mining-local jurisdiction	House Agriculture and Natural Resources
Am. SB 109	Collins	Speed limit on county roads	Intro in House 7-1-81
SB 383	Speck	Mine & Well operation/vehicle size	Senate (Highways & Transportation)

The Ohio Aggregates Association

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Notes*

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OHIO AGGREGATES FACT SHEET - 1981

1. Average mineral aggregate production in Ohio is 90 million tons per year. An additional 5 million tons of blast furnace and electric furnace slag aggregate is used for construction in the State.
2. Aggregate is produced from approximately 560 surface mines located throughout the State. Vinton County is the only county without current aggregate mining.
3. Major aggregate producers in Ohio are: American Aggregates Corp., Davon Inc., Dravo Corp., The France Stone Co., Maumee Stone Co., Muskingum River Gravel Co., National Lime & Stone Co., Sandusky Crushed Stone Co., The Shelly Co., R. W. Sidley, Inc., and The Standard Slag Co.
4. A large number of aggregate mines in the State are family owned and operated. 165 such mines are operated with 5 or less employees.
5. The average price of mineral aggregate is \$3.50 at the plant site.
6. Limestone and dolomite account for 55% of Ohio's mined aggregate with sand and gravel making up the remainder.
7. Over the next 20 years the trend will be towards use of more crushed stone and stone sand as gravel deposits are used up in some areas. As an example, the supply of natural sand is being depleted in north-west Ohio.
8. Average production span for a sand and gravel deposit is 25 years, whereas a stone quarry is productive for about 50 years.
9. A number of aggregate deposits are not available for development as they are covered by urban sprawl or mining is prohibited by zoning.
10. The aggregate industry directly employs about 6,000 people in the State at an average salary of \$13,000 per year.



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11. A small volume of aggregate is moved by rail - mostly railroad ballast and metallurgical stone. Aggregate is moved by barge on the Ohio River and by barge and small ore carriers on Lake Erie.
12. Over 90% of all aggregate produced is moved by dump truck. About 2,500 dump trucks are engaged in hauling aggregate. Most aggregate is used within 40 miles of where it is produced.
13. Haul distance largely controls the price of aggregate. The cost of gravel processed on the south side of Columbus will double by the time it is delivered in the north end of the city.
14. More than half of all aggregate used is paid for by tax dollars. Large users are the State, Counties, Townships and Municipalities in their road and bridge programs. Federal dollars are involved in airports, building, dams, locks, erosion control and waste treatment facilities.
15. Aggregate is widely used as a filter medium in water and sewage treatment plants. More recently, limestone and lime are being used in flue gas desulfurization processes. Limestone is also a key ingredient in the fluidized bed process being utilized in the burning of Ohio's high sulfur coal.
16. About 2 million tons of agricultural limestone is used annually to help Ohio farmers increase crop yields.
17. A number of lakes resulting from aggregate excavation have been reclaimed to make excellent water recreation facilities.
18. The passage of the Ohio Surface Mine Act in 1975 assures localities that all land disturbed by aggregate extraction will be reclaimed. Reclamation is required to be compatible with local land use.
19. Lakes formed by aggregate extraction in the Dayton area are now helping to recharge the ground water aquifers that local industry depends on as a source of processing water.
20. The biggest problem facing the aggregate industry in the coming years is getting zoning favorable to the extraction of minerals. There is also a need to get planning groups to set aside mineral deposits to meet future needs.

INFORMATION COMPILED BY THE
OHIO AGGREGATES ASSOCIATION

References:

Ohio Department of Transportation
Ohio Division of Mines
Ohio Division of Reclamation
U. S. Bureau of Mines
Mine Safety and Health Administration

EQUIPMENT & LITERATURE DISPLAYS

These displays will be open Tuesday afternoon before the **EARLY BIRD GET TOGETHER**. There is also time both before and after the general sessions on Wednesday to visit the displays. Take the opportunity to see the services available from your **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS**.

MEETING NOTES

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

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Barney & White Transmissions, Columbus, Ohio
Barry Equipment Co., Columbus, Ohio
Bazzoli & Son, Inc., Dover, Ohio
Philip R. Berger & Assoc., Inc., Bradford Woods, Pa.
Bonded Scale & Machine Co., Columbus, Ohio
Bowser-Morner Testing Lab., Inc., Dayton, Ohio
Cantwell Machinery Co., Columbus, Ohio
Cindaco, Inc., Dayton, Ohio
Cleveland Contrs. Equip. Co., Cleveland, Ohio
Columbus Equipment Co., Columbus, Ohio
Cottrill Trucking Co., Massillon, Ohio
E. I. duPont deNemours & Co., Findlay, Ohio
Dravo Marks, Brunswick, Ohio
Durex Products, Inc., Luck, Wisconsin
Econex, Inc., Upper Sandusky, Ohio
Franklin Consultants, Inc., Columbus, Ohio
GLM Mine Training Center, Lisbon, Ohio
General Portland, Inc., Paulding, Ohio
Hartman-Fabco, Inc., Lansing, Michigan
Highway Equipment Co., Cincinnati, Ohio
Hooper Demolition, Inc., Powell, Ohio
Hoyt Wire Cloth Co., Lancaster, Pa.
The McLean Co., Columbus, Ohio
Midwestern Industries, Inc., Massillon, Ohio
Mine Services Co., Columbus, Ohio
Monarch Steel Specialists, Dayton, Ohio
Northern Ohio Paving Co., Twinsburg, Ohio
Ohio Machinery Co., Cleveland, Ohio
Rish Equipment Co., Bluefield, W. Va.
Shrader's Incorporated, Greenville, Ohio
Southwestern Portland Cement, Fairborn, Ohio
Thomas Foundries, Birmingham, Ala.
Today Steel Co., Cleveland, Ohio
Trelleborg Rubber Co., Inc., Solon, Ohio
U. S. Gypsum Co., Genoa, Ohio
W. S. Tyler, Inc., Mentor, Ohio
W. W. Williams Co., Columbus, Ohio

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PROGRAM

1981

ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

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ASSOCIATION



TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

NOVEMBER 3, 4 & 5, 1981

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1981

Noon to
6:00 P.M. **EQUIPMENT & LITERATURE DISPLAY**
Quarterdeck Area & Adjacent Parking Lot

6:00 P.M. to
7:30 P.M. **EARLY BIRD GET TOGETHER**
Quarterdeck Area
HOSTS — Associate Members

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1981

8:00 A.M. to
10:00 A.M. **WIVES ONLY**
Continental Breakfast
Association Suite

8:00 A.M. to
Noon **REGISTRATION**
Quarterdeck Area

9:00 A.M. to
10:00 A.M. **COMMITTEE REPORTS & ASSOCIATE MEMBERS MEETING**

10:00 A.M. to
Noon **GENERAL SESSION**
Anchor & Schooner Rooms
Presiding: Richard Malisher
Chesterhill Stone Co.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT
E. T. Kerr, Dravo Corp.

WASHINGTON SCENE
J. H. Williams, President
National Limestone Institute

DEALING WITH DRUG USAGE
Jim Traficant, Jr., Sheriff
Mahoning County

12:00 **LUNCHEON**
Clipper Room
Featuring: Vernal G. Riffe, Jr.
Speaker of the House

Brief Business Meeting & Officers Election
Presiding: Richard Malisher

2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.
SIMULTANEOUS SESSIONS I & II

SESSION I Schooner Room
Presiding: Reid Schmutz
The Standard Slag Co.

"ANTI-TRUST"—R. B. Campbell,
Attorney, Stoll, Keenon & Park,
Lexington, Ky.

"REGULATION UPDATE"
(Panel Discussion)
MSHA — Dennis R. Shackelton
OEPA — Wayne S. Nichols
ODNR — Charles Call

"AGGREGATE MARKETING IN THE 80's"
Bobb Aikins, National Crushed Stone Association

SESSION II Anchor Room
Presiding: Robert Oster
Oster Sand & Gravel, Inc.

"ENERGY CONVERSATION"
(Panel Discussion)
Diesel Motors—Bob Henderson,
Cummins
Electrical Motors—Bobby Flora,
Rish
Electrical Demand Management—
Pete Dunning, American Aggregates

"BLASTING"
Phil Berger, Philip R. Berger &
Associates
Alan Hooper, Hooper Demolition
John Lay, B & L Explosives

"UNDERWATER EXCAVATING"
(Panel Discussion)
Dragline—Dick Roberts,
J. P. Sand & Gravel Co.
Dredge—Gary Johnson,
American Aggregates
Sauerman—Marty Wilson,
Muskingum River Gravel

4:30 P.M. to
6:30 P.M. **EQUIPMENT & LITERATURE DISPLAY**

4:45 P.M. to
5:00 P.M. Brief Board Meeting
Windjammer Room

WEDNESDAY EVENING

6:30 P.M. **SOCIAL HOUR**
Quarterdeck & Clipper

7:30 P.M. **BANQUET**
Anchor & Schooner
Toastmaster: Richard Malisher
FEATURING: Jeanne Robertson,
Burlington, North Carolina

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1981

8:00 A.M.
BUFFET BREAKFAST
Clipper Room
"PRIDE AWARDS"
R. A. Wilkinson
"RECLAMATION AWARDS"
Dr. Robert W. Teater, Director
Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources

9:30 A.M. to
11:45 A.M. **GENERAL SESSION**
Anchor & Schooner Rooms
Presiding: Richard Malisher

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Richard Malisher

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT
Robert A. Wilkinson

TRANSPORTATION
David L. Weir, Director
Ohio Dept. of Transportation

OHIO ECONOMY
Paul C. Craig, Ph.D.
Ohio State University

POST MEETING PLANT TOUR
NOON — 3:00 P.M. (Box Lunch provided)

This year's tour will be of Columbus' New Trash Burning Power Plant. This facility, scheduled for completion in 1982, will burn a combination of trash and coal to produce electricity for the city. The plant is unique in its concept and some of the material handling features. (Bring your hard hat)

Speakers Reference



AGRI NEWS

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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October 22, 1981

NEW LAW ABOUT AGRICULTURAL ADDITIVES

*A+B 117-hodder
eff. 11-5-81*

Columbus.....Under the new Agricultural Additive Law, soil conditioners and similar products must be registered with the Plant Industry Division of the Department prior to their sale after January 1, 1982, announced John M. Stackhouse, Director of the Ohio Department of Agriculture.

Any substance or mixture of substances, other than fertilizer, agricultural liming materials and legume inoculants, intended to improve the physical, chemical, or biological characteristics of the soil for agricultural production purposes, or to otherwise improve crop production, plant growth, product quality or yield must be registered under the new act. Other exempted materials include peat, sand, mulches, manures, pine bark and similar materials.

A guaranteed analysis of the ingredients, directions for use, statements as to the purpose of the additive, indication of the results that can be expected from its use and satisfactory evidence of its effectiveness are required to obtain registration of the product.

In the past, products of doubtful value represented to be soil conditioners or additives have been sold in the state to individuals who had no means or guidelines available to check the performance of the product. This act will enable prospective purchasers to evaluate the product before investing in it. Stackhouse emphasized that there is no intent to prevent the sale of products of proven value. However, the law does require the seller to have data to back up any label or advertising claims.

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September 25, 1981

Mr. Vernal G. Riffe, Jr.
Speaker of The House
Ohio Statehouse
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Vern,

I am very pleased that you can accept our invitation to speak at our Annual Meeting. I really appreciate the changes you made in your schedule so you could be with us.

As noted in the enclosed program, you will be featured at our luncheon on Wednesday, November 4, 1981. Our meeting will be at the University Hilton Inn on Olentangy River Road in Columbus.

We have a legislative report proceeding you on Wednesday, but this report will be limited to a few bills that are directly related to the industry, such as Am. H.B. 117, H.B. 385, H.B. 438, H.B. 562, Am. S.B. 109 and S.B. 383.

I think our group would be interested in hearing about State tax and budget issues and a look at what you see as issues Ohio has to face in the future. Comments on the role of state government, and your own political plans are also of great interest to us.

To give you a little better feel for the aggregate industry, I am enclosing a fact sheet we recently put together. If you need any additional information, please give me a call.

Looking forward to seeing you a little before noon on November 4th.

Sincerely,



Robert A. Wilkinson
Managing Director
OHIO AGGREGATES ASSOCIATION



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