

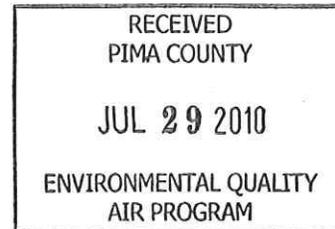


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Mr. Mukonde Chama
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Re: Application for a Class II Permit, Rosemont Copper Company

Dear Mr. Chama:

On behalf of Rosemont Copper Company (Rosemont), enclosed please find two copies of an application for a Class II Air Quality Permit for the Rosemont Copper Company's planned open pit mine located approximately 30 miles southeast of Tucson. The application includes all information necessary for the evaluation, processing, and issuance of the air quality permit.

Additionally, please note that a suggested draft permit is also being prepared for the Department's consideration. We anticipate that the suggested draft permit will be submitted within the next several weeks.

If there are any questions or clarifications on the information in the application, please call Ms. Katherine Arnold of Rosemont at 520.297.7723 or myself at 480.829.0457.

Sincerely,

Louis C. Thanukos, Ph.D.
Division Manager

cc: Katherine Arnold (Rosemont)