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Dear Mr. and Ms. Mitchell, Mr. and Ms. Gillispie, and Mr. Watson:

Thank you for your fax of yesterday. Enclosed is a copy of my letter to the Plant Manager of Columbia Forest Products in Chatham. As I indicate in that letter, I will be glad to communicate with DEQ about the situation, but I firmly believe that all the parties concerned should first be given the opportunity to see whether the noise, smoke, and other issues can be resolved in a way that accommodates the needs of the parties and balances the interests involved. I hope that Columbia Forest Products will respond promptly and that all involved entities, including Hargrave and Chatham Hall can have their concerns addressed. Thank you again for your communication.

Sincerely yours,



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