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Ms. Anastasya Tabb
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Dear Ms. Tabb:

Thank you for your April 5 letter to John S. Bresland, Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Health. Mr. Bresland forwarded your letter to the staff at the Jefferson County Health Department for follow-up.

In your letter you described potential concerns about the spread of COVID-19 at the Rockwool construction site in Ranson quoting *“Everything about this worksite violates the actions Governor Justice and public health experts recommend to curb the spread of COVID-19”*.

As the Health Officer for the Jefferson County Health Department, I went to the Rockwell construction site with Sheriff Peter Dougherty on April 8. We spent almost two hours at the site. Our overall impression was that Rockwool was being very careful and meticulous in developing and following best practices to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

We were impressed by the protocol that has been implemented to evaluate all persons entering the work site for possible COVID infection. They practice appropriate social distancing. The workers are provided with personal protective equipment such as gloves, goggles, face shields and face masks as necessary for the activity being performed. Wash stations are available, hand hygiene encouraged, and cleaning of toilet facilities and other common areas has increased.

Most of the work currently is out of doors which lessens the concern for possible transmittal of the virus. Our conclusion was that the Rockwool site has an appropriate and active program in place to protect its workers.

I would appreciate it if you would put my response on the Jefferson County Vision web site.

Please e-mail me at terrence.j.reidy@wv.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Terrence J. Reidy, MD".

Terrence J. Reidy, MD

CC Sheriff Peter Dougherty

John S. Bresland

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