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## **ASSOCIATED PAVING & MATERIALS LTD FINED \$8,000 FOR VIOLATING THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT**

BURLINGTON — Associated Paving & Materials Ltd has been fined \$8,000, plus a victim fine surcharge, for violating the Environmental Protection Act (EPA).

Associated Paving & Materials Ltd operates a hot-mix asphalt plant at 850 Syscon Ct. in Burlington. On June 10, 2003, the Ministry of the Environment responded to a complaint that a grey cloud of particulate emissions discharging from the defendant's plant, covered several parked cars in an adjacent lot, with a dusty material.

This matter was referred to the ministry's Investigations and Enforcement Branch and the investigation confirmed the source to be dysfunctional dust collection equipment at Associated Paving's site. The dust was determined to be mineral dust which was abrasive with the capability of scouring car paint and windshields.

As a result of the June 10, 2003 incident, Associated Paving & Materials was ordered to assess its emissions and undertake an abatement plan, which it has done.

Associated Paving & Materials pleaded guilty to discharging a contaminant into the air to such an extent or degree as may cause damage to property, contrary to Section 6(d) of Ontario Regulation 346, made under the EPA and was fined \$8,000, plus a victim fine surcharge.

Justice of the Peace Jerry Woloschuk heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice in Burlington, Ontario, on January 4, 2006.

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