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**16th Annual
National Minerals
Education Coalition
Conference 2007
June 24 – 27
Bloomington, Indiana**

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Dear Prospective Supporter,

Every mining company faces serious questions, even opposition, when seeking to open a new mine or expand existing mines. To tackle this issue, industry must have competent spokespeople who can educate the general public concerning the importance of mining to society and frame societal and operational problems in easily understandable ways. The 2007 National Minerals Education Coalition (NMEC) conference will help address this need by providing a national forum where industry professionals can share experiences, generate new ideas, and provide innovative approaches to mineral and resource education.

The Indiana Mineral Aggregates Association and the Indiana Geological Survey are very pleased to co-host the 16th annual NMEC conference in Bloomington, Indiana, June 24-27, 2007. The conference will include three days of meetings and discussions, field trips, and activities designed to provide practical, real-world educational examples based on experiences from Indiana industry professionals. To attract the widest participation from the mineral and mining industry and to ensure a successful conference, we need your financial assistance. I hope you will agree that this cause is worthy of your support.

As one of the hosts of this event, I would like to invite you to help us sponsor this important meeting. Your contribution as a sponsor will be used to enhance conference materials, activities, and fieldtrips. Your sponsorship will be acknowledged in the conference program and signage, and on the conference Web site (www.nationalmineralseducation.org). Sponsorship details can be found on the attached page. A favorable response would be very much appreciated. Due to the need for advance commitments to secure facilities for this meeting a response within the next few weeks is important.

Thank you for considering assisting the National Minerals Education Coalition.

Sincerely,

**Robert G. Jones, Executive Director
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