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Jordan Sands Finalizes Negotiation with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Mankato, Minn. – May 3rd 2016 - Jordan Sands announces that it has finalized negotiations with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency relating to record keeping structure and secondary equipment issues dating to the plant's start up in late 2014 and early 2015. The MPCA released this information earlier today on it's website www.pca.state.mn

"We appreciate the open communication and dialogue we have had with the MPCA through this process. It is our utmost focus to continue to run a safe operation for our employees, customers, and community. We believe there is no better indication of this than the MPCA agreeing that we had fulfilled our requirements for voluntary fence line monitoring of silica sand particulate that we have been doing at our site since we commenced operations in December of 2014" said Scott Sustacek, Jordan Sands Chief Executive Officer

"The items cited by the MPCA have all been corrected for some time and given the multiple levels of protection and monitoring that we do as routine compliance, the plant was always running at safe levels." Brett Skilbred, Vice President of Jordan Sands commented.

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About Jordan Sands

<u>Jordan Sands</u> LLC, is an industrial sand mining and processing operation and an affiliate of <u>Coughlan Companies</u>, Inc., Mankato, MN, whose primary business includes children's book publishing company <u>Capstone</u>, a leading publisher of children's books, digital solutions and services, literacy programs, and K-12 professional development resources. Jordan Sands formed in 2011 to responsibly develop and bring to market the Jordan Sandstone resource underlying the Coughlan Companies' land holdings, for energy and industrial applications. For more information, visit <u>www.Jordansands.com</u>.