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Dear Mr. Halloran,

In your Nov. 4, 2004 findings and conclusion, please check the dates, you will find that after I no longer had access to the Zimmerman property and no further deliveries were made to that site Sloane Valve paid me \$110,000 over a 3 month period to continue recycle their spent silica sand at my indoor location in Sycamore IL after I was locked out of the Zimmerman property. There has been no accounting for the equipment I purchased with that \$110,000 to recycle and treat if necessary the sand after removal of the scrap metals from the sand. I made no profits from the gravel pit in Union IL. If it will make any difference please check the dates for the record.

Please remember this fact: Clean silica sand has a value (Portland cement) and brass metals are also valuable, separate the two and you can sell them both in truck load quantities. The equipment at the Sycamore building was purchased with the \$110,000 and had nothing to do with the Union IL site.

I feel the State is so eager to run me over that they have failed to disclose everything they know about Sycamore Illinois and the money. I have invested almost all the \$110,000 in equipment to do exactly what I have said all along. My business was never a scam but was a legitimate scrap metal reclaiming operation from two alternate raw materials, #1- recovered brass metals and #2- cleaned silica sand and at the Sycamore site there was in place, a brand new treatment plant I purchased with Sloan money. At the time, this plant was the only treatment recommended by the California Cast Metals Assoc. developed By Mr. Jim Furness of Portland Oregon. All the equipment was left behind at Sycamore and Union IL and the State knows it or should.

Thank you for your efforts to resolve this matter but the monies (\$110,000) are not from the Union gravel pit site but came to me from Sloan Valve after I was locked out of the Union site in an effort to allow me to continue my operation indoors at Sycamore IL.

*Michael Stringini*