Attachment 1

From:

info@nikocontracting.com

Sent:

Wednesday, January 18, 2006 10:09 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 18, 2006, 10:09 am by:

Petitioner name Nicholas D. Lardas Occupation Roofing Contractor

State of Residence .. PA

Email address info@nikocontracting.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Nicholas D. Lardas

From: Sent: robert.raleigh.iii@claytileroof.com Friday, January 13, 2006 3:35 PM

To: Subject: Hill, Christine A Ludowici Roof Tile



Dear Ms. Hill:

Renaissance Roofing, Inc is a historic roofing company with over 60 employees that are committed to preserving the historic roofs of the United States. Our company utilizes, when ever possible, salvaged or used clay roofing tiles for its restoration work. However, we do need special tiles know as the trim tiles to complete our work on grand-old and often times Nation Trust for Historic Preservation buildings. Without these special trim tiles, these roofs would not be able to be completed or restored.

Until recently we have been able to purchase these tiles from Ludowici Roof Tile, Inc. of New Lexington, Ohio. The company has now refused to sell us trim tiles for this purpose and is requiring us to purchase un-needed roof tiles when we do so. In several instances we have had orders refused because we did not order the field tiles.

Without the ability to purchase these proprietary tiles from Ludowici, we will be unable to competitively compete in the market place. Until an effective alternative source of these tiles materializes, Ludowici Roof Tile is the only source.

Many tiles have been imported from foreign countries to supplement this demand, but not one has shown to be suitable alternative. Allowing Ludowici Roof Tile to revert to the practice of discriminating and restricting trade has already damaged the lively hood of Renaissance Roofing, Inc and its employees.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert W. Raleigh, III

Vice-President

Renaissance Roofing, Inc

2231 Hawkey Drive

Belvidere, IL 61008

From:

tjc1221@insightbb.com

Sent:

Wednesday, January 11, 2006 4:13 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 11, 2006, 4:12 pm by:

Petitioner name Jason Clancy

Occupation Information Technology Consultant

State of Residence .. IL

Email address tjc1221@insightbb.com

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Additional COMMENT from Jason Clancy

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From:

ssureeldua@msn.com

Sent:

Wednesday, January 11, 2006 2:39 PM

Hill, Christine A To:

Subject:

Ludowici Roof Tile DOES Dominate the Historic Market



Ms. Christine Hill,

The proof of the dominance of this company in our country's historic market is spelled out precisely in the original Anti-Trust Decree (see Sec. VI, Execution of the Conspiracy).

After all, the original applications of the Historic Roofing Tile market in our country covers the periods which were cited in the existing anti-trust decree against Ludowici-Celadon Company (Now The Ludowici Roof Tile Company). When they acquired the major roofing tile manufacturing facilities (besides the original two - Chicago, ILL and Ludowici, GA) they acquired the interstate businesses of the following companies: The Celadon Roofing Tile Company of New York; The Imperial Clay Company of Ohio; The Western Roofing Company of Missouri; and the Mid-Continent Clay Company of Texas

Ludowicl, at this point, literally owned the service and replacement business of over 90% of the existing homes and/or buildings using clay roofing tile. This equation still exists today in the historic market because the rooftops sold during this period have become our young country's historic gems. Most of the few remaining American clay tile companies of that earlier time (who produced tile to withstand freeze/thaw conditions) did not withstand this onslaught and remain viable. Unfortunately, we lost them and we lost some lovely clay roofing tiles too.

The problem is exacerbated by the fact that newly manufactured roofing tile does not match historic roofing tile. It cannot as the manufacturing process has been completely altered resulting in a different appearance. It is apples and oranges ... they do not match.

Therefore the Clay Roofing Tile in our historic market today is almost entirely serviced by Ludowici. Any change in their ability and/or desire to service these structures would result in escalating prices for restoration which would then include not only a completely new roof (the historic tile would be lost) but also the expense of hauling the perfectly good, nearly antique, clay tiles to a landfill which would accept them. Of course, the businesses dealing with recycled tile would be unable to satisfy their customers needs. These results would deal a serious blow to any preservation project either major (government and business buildings) or private (homes, apartments and condominiums) even as it would have negative impact on our environment.

Thank you for your consideration,

Lee Russ McGee The Tile Man, Inc.

From:

tbollnow@nrca.net

Sent:

Wednesday, January 11, 2006 1:48 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 11, 2006, 1:47 pm by:

Petitioner name Thomas Bollnow

Occupation Senior Technical Director

State of Residence .. IL

Email address tbollnow@nrca.net

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Additional COMMENT from Thomas Bollnow

I wholeheartedly agree that to deny the restoration of perfectly usable historical tile contradicts the current industry (and nationwide) movement toward sustainable construction. Sustainable including durability, recyclability, energy efficiency, etc.

From:

james.zipse@claytileroof.com

Sent:

Wednesday, January 11, 2006 10:45 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 11, 2006, 10:45 am by:

Petitioner name James Zipse

Occupation Partner of Renaissance Roofing Inc

State of Residence .. IL

Email address james.zipse@claytileroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from James Zipse

WE MUST PUT A STOP TO THIS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

From:

mulliganrestoration@charter.net

Sent: To: Wednesday, January 11, 2006 8:37 AM

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 11, 2006, 8:36 am by:

Petitioner name rory mulligan

Occupation general contractor

State of Residence .. il

Email address mulliganrestoration@charter.net

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from rory mulligan

From:

/S=kai loema@aol.com/O=INETGW/P=GOV+DOJ/A=TELEMAIL/C=US/

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 5:51 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 5:50 pm by:

Petitioner name kai a loema

Occupation tile/slate project foreman

State of Residence .. il

Email address kai loema@aol.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from kai a loema

i have bee in the tile/slate roofing business for aprox 12 yrs,75% of our projects are tile restorations, we rely(unfortantly) on ludiwicci tile co. for a lot of specialty trim pieces.

not only do we have to pay outragous fees for poor quality products, the customer service is close to none.

ludiwicci tile co. operates under the premiss.... (u need us... we dont need you) another prime example of a big corperation pushing the the little man out to take control of the tile market, (new and used)! as an average hard working AMERICAN i ask you to stop the termination of FINAL DECREE of 1929. this is a french owned corperation, we are AMERICAN workers trying to preserve OUR future, OUR way of life! thank you...

From:

robcags@cox.net

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 5:40 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 5:40 pm by:

Petitioner name Robert Cagnetta

Occupation Preservation Specialist

State of Residence .. RI

Email address robcags@cox.net

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Additional COMMENT from Robert Cagnetta

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Please don't allow corporate greed and ignorance to prevent the practical maintenance and preservation of our cultural heritage.

From:

gderry@renroof.com

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 3:55 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 3:55 pm by:

Petitioner name Gregory Derry

Occupation Supervisor of Field Operations

State of Residence .. MO

Email address gderry@renroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from Gregory Derry

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From:

momkerb4@voyager.net

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 2:43 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

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Petitioner name C E Kerber Occupation Artist

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Additional COMMENT from C E Kerber

From:

jak@claytileroof.com

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 1:48 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

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The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 1:47 pm by:

Petitioner name Jeffrey A. Kassel

Occupation Management

State of Residence .. IL

Email address jak@claytileroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from Jeffrey A. Kassel

GM and Ford would not be allowed to forego the sale of replacement parts without a new car order. Neither should Ludowici be allowed to limit the sale of essential replacement pieces for historic roofs.

From: Sent: kristy.iverson@claytileroof.com Tuesday, January 10, 2006 1:39 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

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The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 1:39 pm by:

Petitioner name Kristine A. Iverson

Occupation Office Manager

State of Residence .. IL

Email address kristy.iverson@claytileroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from Kristine A. Iverson

Some of Ludowici's employees will blatently tell you they "can do whatever they want and no one can stop them"

From:

jenn baxter@excite.com

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 11:32 AM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 11:31 am by:

Petitioner name Jennifer Baxter

Occupation Sales State of Residence .. IA

Email address jenn baxter@excite.com

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Additional COMMENT from Jennifer Baxter

From: Sent: anarvaez@johnmilnerassociates.com Tuesday, January 10, 2006 11:08 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

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The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 11:08 am by:

Petitioner name Alfonso Narvaez

Occupation Senior Associate, John Milner Associates, Inc.

State of Residence .. VA

Email address anarvaez@johnmilnerassociates.com

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Additional COMMENT from Alfonso Narvaez

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From:

edfrench64 44@hotmail.com

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 11:03 AM

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 11:02 am by:

Petitioner name Edward P. French Occupation Safety Consultant

State of Residence .. IL

Email address edfrench64_44@hotmail.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Edward P. French

The current Decree should remain in place, so the restoration business can continue. Thank You

From:

gloria.totz@claytileroof.com

Sent: To: Tuesday, January 10, 2006 10:55 AM

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 10:55 am by:

Petitioner name Gloria Totz Occupation secretary

State of Residence .. IL

Email address gloria.totz@claytileroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from Gloria Totz

My job is at risk if this Restraint of Trade is removed, plus the land fills will fill up very quick with UNNECCESSARY WASTE of salvagable tile.

From:

danacb@pella.com

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 10:35 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 10:34 am by:

Petitioner name Christopher Dana

Occupation Construction Industry Manager

State of Residence .. IA

Email address danacb@pella.com

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Additional COMMENT from Christopher Dana

We are already seeing too many historic roofs replaced with asphalt shingle. If this continues, we will soon forget the true beauty of a tile roof and it's place in America's building industry. Do not allow Ludowici to monopolize this market.

Respectfully, Chris Dana

From: Sent: danielle.cornwell@claytileroof.com Tuesday, January 10, 2006 9:55 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 9:55 am by:

Petitioner name Danielle Cornwell Occupation Human resource Manager

State of Residence .. IL

Email address danielle.cornwell@claytileroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from Danielle Cornwell

I can not even beleive that this is an issue. What gives Ludowici the right to monopolize Companies that are trying to preserve the history of many of our nation's homes and buildings.

From:

isanders@claytileroof.com

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 9:32 AM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

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The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 9:32 am by:

Petitioner name Jennifer Sanders

Occupation Administrative Assistant

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Email address jsanders@claytileroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from Jennifer Sanders

From:

Pammy664@hotmail.com

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 9:26 AM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

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The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 9:26 am by:

Petitioner name Pam Nowak

Occupation Administrative Assistant

State of Residence .. MO

Email address Pammy664@hotmail.com

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Additional COMMENT from Pam Nowak

From:

lon.gorsch@claytileroof.com

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 8:38 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 8:38 am by:

Petitioner name Lon Gorsch Occupation Used Tile Sales

State of Residence .. IL

Email address lon.gorsch@claytileroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from Lon Gorsch

From:

eric.loema@claytileroof.com

Sent:

Tuesday, January 10, 2006 6:34 AM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 10, 2006, 6:34 am by:

Petitioner name Eric P. Loema

Occupation Tile/ Slate Roofing Sales Associate

State of Residence .. IL

Email address eric.loema@claytileroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from Eric P. Loema

From:

mjlengyel@gmail.com

Sent:

Monday, January 09, 2006 7:47 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 9, 2006, 7:46 pm by:

Petitioner name Michael J. Lengyel

Occupation Architectural Conservator

State of Residence .. VA

Email address mjlengyel@gmail.com

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Additional COMMENT from Michael J. Lengyel

Please consider the above. Free market economics aside, when a company chooses to eliminate a market sector by aggressive sales tactics or by descrimitating against that sector they should not be rewarded with a defacto parole. Restraint of free trade is non-productive no matter how small the market niche because of cascading side effects such as projects being delayed or cancelled or redesigned.

From: Sent: To: www.user@yourhostingaccount.com Monday, January 09, 2006 6:53 PM

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 9, 2006, 6:53 pm by:

Petitioner name Sara B. Chase

Occupation
State of Residence ...
Email address

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Additional COMMENT from Sara B. Chase

From:

mstout@presnc.org

Sent:

Monday, January 09, 2006 2:05 PM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 9, 2006, 2:05 pm by:

Petitioner name Michael Stout Occupation Presrvationist

State of Residence .. NC

Email address mstout@presnc.org

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Additional COMMENT from Michael Stout

These new requirements would put our historic roof tops in grave danger. It is already an expensive endeavor to maintain and repair these historic materials and therefore does not need to be made even more expensive by having to replace perfectly good tiles. It also would add even more waste of perfectly good materials to our landfields.

From:

dffreerksen@comcast.net

Sent:

Monday, January 09, 2006 12:47 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 9, 2006, 12:47 pm by:

Petitioner name Doug Freerksen

Occupation restoration contractor

State of Residence .. IL

Email address dffreerksen@comcast.net

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Additional COMMENT from Doug Freerksen

From:

SBaker@idahopower.com

Sent:

Monday, January 09, 2006 10:38 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 9, 2006, 10:37 am by:

Petitioner name Shane A. Baker

Occupation Cultural Resource Manager

State of Residence . ID

Email address SBaker@idahopower.com

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Additional COMMENT from Shane A. Baker

From:

dkaarre@hotmail.com

Sent:

Monday, January 09, 2006 10:25 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 9, 2006, 10:24 am by:

Petitioner name Douglas Kaarre Occupation Urban Planner

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Email address dkaarre@hotmail.com

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Additional COMMENT from Douglas Kaarre

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From: Sent: Sharon@historicproperties.com Monday, January 09, 2006 8:56 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 9, 2006, 8:55 am by:

Petitioner name Sharon Hinson Occupation advertising

State of Residence .. GA

Email address Sharon@historicproperties.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Sharon Hinson

This lifting of the injunction will further accelerate the loss of clay tiled roofs in the US. Instead of increasing the business of the company, it will cause its demise over a period of time.

From:

faye_erickson@hotmail.com

Sent:

Monday, January 09, 2006 12:50 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 9, 2006, 12:49 am by:

Petitioner name Faye Erickson

Occupation faye_erickson@hotmail.com

State of Residence .. x

Email address faye erickson@hotmail.com

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Additional COMMENT from Faye Erickson

I have been actively involved in historic preservation for years and it would be a shame to legally block the preservation of thhis important piece of American history. Ludowici has always been a leader in the industry and manufacturer of an exquisite product. Instead of blocking the efforts to resell their roof tiles they should be proud of both their durability and their historical influence.

From:

arcphoto@pacbell.net

Sent:

Sunday, January 08, 2006 5:35 PM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 8, 2006, 5:35 pm by:

Petitioner name Richard J. Levy, AIA, APA Occupation Preservation Architect

State of Residence .. CA

Email address arcphoto@pacbell.net

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Additional COMMENT from Richard J. Levy, AIA, APA

From:

ioel@ioelburns.com

Sent:

Sunday, January 08, 2006 2:51 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 8, 2006, 2:50 pm by:

Petitioner name Joel Burns

Occupation Residential Realtor & Historic Pres. Consultant

State of Residence .. TX

Email address joel@joelburns.com

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Additional COMMENT from Joel Burns

From:

claytileone@aol.com

Sent:

Sunday, January 08, 2006 10:53 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 8, 2006, 10:52 am by:

Petitioner name Chris R. Branstetter

Occupation Historical Restoration Roofing

State of Residence .. OK

Email address claytileone@aol.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Chris R. Branstetter

SAVE THE ROOF SYSTEMS ON OUR BUILDINGS THAT SHARE OUR HISTORY AND OUR PAST

From:

buckeyelt@hotmail.com

Sent:

Friday, January 06, 2006 2:19 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 6, 2006, 2:19 pm by:

Petitioner name Larry W. Thompson Occupation Sales Manager

State of Residence .. OH

Email address buckeyelt@hotmail.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Larry W. Thompson

I am speaking out against the practice of large companies resorting to illegal and predatory business practices against smaller competitors in order to maintain a superior market position that might not exist under fair business conditions. I also wish to see America's architectural heritage preserved.

From: Sent: nick1@rooftilemanagement.com Friday, January 06, 2006 11:40 AM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 6, 2006, 11:39 am by:

Petitioner name Nick Mather

Occupation Roofing Contractor Owner

State of Residence .. ON

Email address nickl@rooftilemanagement.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Nick Mather

We here in Canada are equally affected, as there are many Ludowici roofs here that need servicing every year.

The companys' approach to people who have purchased their product over the past 75 years or so is deplorable. They, afterall are the ones who have effectively invested in Ludowici, and are now being held liable for their investment. How fair is that?

From: Sent: gail@shelbyvillekentucky.com Friday, January 06, 2006 8:27 AM

To:

Hill, Christine Á

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 6, 2006, 8:26 am by:

Petitioner name Gail Reed

Occupation Historic District Coordinator

State of Residence .. KY

Email address gail@shelbyvillekentucky.com

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Additional COMMENT from Gail Reed

From:

pmaclean@breesearchitects.com

Sent:

. Thursday, January 05, 2006 3:51 PM

To: Subject: Hill, Christine A
Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 5, 2006, 3:50 pm by:

Petitioner name Peter MacLean

Occupation Architecturlal Designer/ Associate

State of Residence .. MA

Email address pmaclean@breesearchitects.com

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Additional COMMENT from Peter MacLean

From:

cragsmear@yahoo.com

Sent:

Thursday, January 05, 2006 7:24 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 5, 2006, 7:24 am by:

Petitioner name H Peter Morehouse

Occupation Estimating

State of Residence .. CT

Email address cragsmear@yahoo.com

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Additional COMMENT from H Peter Morehouse

From:

kkettering@bakerroofing.com

Sent:

Wednesday, January 04, 2006 3:35 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 4, 2006, 3:34 pm by:

Petitioner name KURT KETTERING

Occupation PROJECT MANAGER for roofing contractor

State of Residence .. NC

Email address kkettering@bakerroofing.com

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Additional COMMENT from KURT KETTERING

From: blackrj@burns-scalo.com

Tuesday, January 03, 2006 4:45 PM Sent:

Hill, Christine A To:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134 Subject:

The following petition submitted January 3, 2006, 4:45 pm by:

Petitioner name RALPH BLACK JR. Occupation ESTIMATOR/SALESMAN

State of Residence .. PA

Email address blackrj@burns-scalo.com

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Additional COMMENT from RALPH BLACK JR.

Used tile needs to be available for people who own old tile roofs. The average annual tile replacement is approximately 10-15 tiles per year which are sold by salvage tile companies by the piece + shipping. (Most times a good match - color, pollution on tile. etc.) People cannot be expected to purchase a set minimum of tile + set up charge + broken pallet charge + shipping for such few pieces needed. (This is an example of Ludowici's way of serving the customer.)

From:

cross_ct@bellsouth.net

Sent:

Tuesday, January 03, 2006 7:08 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 3, 2006, 7:07 am by:

Petitioner name Steve Hancock

Occupation Cross Country Distributing

State of Residence .. KY

Email address cross_ct@bellsouth.net

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Additional COMMENT from Steve Hancock

Ludowici has been difficult to work with for years... now they want to become impossible.

From:

mimullaneco@msn.com

Sent:

Monday, January 02, 2006 6:04 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 2, 2006, 6:04 pm by:

Petitioner name Michael J. Mullane

Occupation Manufacturing

State of Residence .. MA

Email address mjmullaneco@msn.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Michael J. Mullane

I support the petitioners.

From:

chris@formationroofing.com

Sent:

Monday, January 02, 2006 1:57 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 2, 2006, 1:56 pm by:

Petitioner name Chris Underwood

Occupation Pres. Formation Roofing & Sheet Metal Inc.

State of Residence .. IN

Email address chris@formationroofing.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Chris Underwood

This is a very simple but complicated issue that will hurt hundreds of small tile roofing contractors like ourselves. This is a move by Ludowici that is GOING to cost all homeowners who have older tile roofs in need of repair , literally thousands of dollars. Please do not allow this attempt by Ludowici to change current law that allows this to happen.

Thank You Chris Underwood

From:

steeplejack1@charter.net

Sent:

Sunday, January 01, 2006 6:58 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted January 1, 2006, 6:57 pm by:

Petitioner name paul wiederhold

Occupation historic roof restorer

State of Residence .. NC

Email address steeplejackl@charter.net

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from paul wiederhold

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From:

danibrewer@yahoo.com

Sent:

Thursday, December 29, 2005 2:40 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 29, 2005, 2:39 pm by:

Petitioner name Dani Brewer

Occupation Slate, Tile & Copper Small Business Owner

State of Residence .. OH

Email address danibrewer@yahoo.com

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Additional COMMENT from Dani Brewer

From:

edmslate@yahoo.com

Sent:

Thursday, December 29, 2005 2:41 PM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 29, 2005, 2:41 pm by:

Petitioner name J. Elmer Brewer

Occupation Slate, Tile & Copper Small Business Owner

State of Residence .. OH

Email address edmslate@yahoo.com

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Additional COMMENT from J. Elmer Brewer

From:

eburro@comcast.net

Sent:

Thursday, December 29, 2005 11:44 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 29, 2005, 11:44 am by:

Petitioner name Erik L. Burro Occupation Homeowner

State of Residence .. NJ

Email address eburro@comcast.net

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Erik L. Burro

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In addition to the esthetic and practical considerations, why should this company have the right to TRASH many older and most often, historically significant buildings? It is not fair to the owners, nor fair to the communities in which they dwell. This is the 21st century and removal of the decree will do nothing more than increase landfills and discourage recycling....a key component of our evironmentally aware public policy.

From:

tombett@verizon.net

Sent:

Wednesday, December 28, 2005 7:44 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 28, 2005, 7:44 pm by:

Petitioner name Tom Leavitt

Occupation Sales State of Residence .. MA

Email address tombett@verizon.net

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Tom Leavitt

Ken, You, I and any one else with time in the field selling Ludowici roof tile knows full well that when we could tie trim items into a job we could freeze out manufacturers with less expensive field tiles. I always felt good about that and enjoyed my advantage. The problem, however, comes as you know when doing restoration of historic and other older roofs. These jobs are frequently owned by people or organizations with limited financial resources and if they do not have the opportunity to use salvaged tile and buy trim items they will not be able to afford proper restoration of these roofs and they will be relegated to the trash heap.

Obviously, our forefathers, in 1929 recognized that Ludowici had an obligation to service these markets back then and it seems ludicrous not to see that the need is even greater now. Guaranteed there are many more people out there that share your concern. Tom Leavitt

From: Doug@ReclaimedRoofs.com

Sent: Wednesday, December 28, 2005 6:27 PM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 28, 2005, 6:26 pm by:

Petitioner name Douglas Cochran

Occupation Roofing Slate and Tile Sales

State of Residence .. DE

Email address Doug@ReclaimedRoofs.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Douglas Cochran

I strongly agree with all the statements above. I have been selling reclaimed Ludowici roof tile for the past ten years. Ludowici has been increasingly more difficult to deal with over that time, according to many of my customers. They have recently sunk to a new low with using exclusionary tactics to bully their customers and distributors into conducting business that goes agains all better judgement.

Doug Cochran

Reclaimed Roofs, Inc.

From:

jaycoroofpro@yahoo.com

Sent:

Monday, December 26, 2005 10:37 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 26, 2005, 10:36 pm by:

Petitioner name Jason M. Winfrey

Occupation slate & tile roof restoration contractor

State of Residence .. MO

Email address jaycoroofpro@yahoo.com

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Additional COMMENT from Jason M. Winfrey

please save our jobs and our history!

From:

Stevej@lesjonesroofing.com

Sent:

Thursday, December 22, 2005 11:07 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 22, 2005, 11:07 am by:

Petitioner name Steve Jones

Occupation Roofing Contractor

State of Residence .. Mn

Email address Stevej@lesjonesroofing.com

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Additional COMMENT from Steve Jones

We need to be able to get trim pieces for our tile repair job. They sell a product that last a long time, repair need to be done some times. If pieces are not avialable that would hurt our business.

From:

jchan1@prodigy.net

Sent:

Thursday, December 22, 2005 9:56 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 22, 2005, 9:55 am by:

Petitioner name John Chan

Occupation business owner

State of Residence .. OH

Email address jchanl@prodigy.net

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Additional COMMENT from John Chan

It would be a shame to prevent historical restorations due to this.

From:

dkarel@garlock-french.com

Sent:

Thursday, December 22, 2005 9:42 AM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 22, 2005, 9:42 am by:

Petitioner name DAVID J KAREL

Occupation Roofing Contractor

State of Residence .. MN

Email address dkarel@garlock-french.com

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Additional COMMENT from DAVID J KAREL

I believe that the The DOJ Anti-trust Division should DENY the motion from Ludowici. They may have a much smaller percentage of the market for new roofing tile sales, however, they have a very large percentage of the existing roofs with tile on them. in areas they are essentially the only clay tile roof material existing. These roofs need to be maintained and preserved. The only source for these matching materials is Ludowici since other manufacturers tile cannot be used with Ludowici's tile systems. These many homeowners, universities, churches and historic building are at the mercy of Ludowici.

From:

paulnosak13@aol.com

Sent:

. Wednesday, December 21, 2005 8:34 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 21, 2005, 8:33 pm by:

Petitioner name paul nosak

Occupation tile and slate contractor

State of Residence .. ok

Email address paulnosak13@aol.com

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Additional COMMENT from paul nosak

From:

ronstokes@bellsouth.net

Sent:

Wednesday, December 21, 2005 3:04 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 21, 2005, 3:03 pm by:

Petitioner name Ronald Stokes

Occupation Roofing Contractor

State of Residence .. GA

Email address ronstokes@bellsouth.net

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Additional COMMENT from Ronald Stokes

In God's name, what is the true nature of preservation and conservation if not to recycle materials for generations to come?
What kind of world have we come to when we put the almighty dollar before good common sense?

From:

stuart@northernrooftiles.com

Sent: To: Wednesday, December 21, 2005 2:18 PM

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 21, 2005, 2:17 pm by:

Petitioner name Stuart Matthews Occupation Roof Tile Sales

State of Residence .. NY

Email address stuart@northernrooftiles.com

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Additional COMMENT from Stuart Matthews

From:

jkoverman@historiccharleston.org

Sent:

Wednesday, December 21, 2005 11:46 AM Hill. Christine A

To:

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 21, 2005, 11:45 am by:

Petitioner name Jill Koverman

Occupation Collections Manager

State of Residence .. SC

Email address jkoverman@historiccharleston.org

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Jill Koverman

From: Sent: robert.raleigh.jr@claytileroof.com Tuesday, December 20, 2005 3:57 PM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 20, 2005, 3:56 pm by:

Petitioner name Robert W. Raleigh Jr.

Occupation Tile & Slate Roofing Contractor

State of Residence .. IL

Email address robert.raleigh.jr@claytileroof.com

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Additional COMMENT from Robert W. Raleigh Jr.

Ludowici's proposed policy to restrict/eliminate trim tile sales for the line of roof tiles they have produced for over 100 years will severely restrict competition for them because used or salvaged roof tile dealers will not be able to secure the specialty trim tiles they need to fill orders for used tile materials.

From:

bloveland@state.pa.us

Sent:

Tuesday, December 20, 2005 9:05 AM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 20, 2005, 9:05 am by:

Petitioner name Barry Loveland

Occupation Architectural Designer/Manager

State of Residence .. PA

Email address bloveland@state.pa.us

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Additional COMMENT from Barry Loveland

We have a number of historic buildings that have clay tile roofs. We often recycle historic clay tile and only need replacements of small quantities of tile such as ridge caps. It is important that we have access to markets for small quantities of replacement tile, recycled tile and custom tile for the restoration of historic structures, some of which are National Historic Landmarks and/or listed on the National Register of Historic Places. I am concerned that Ludowici's selling policies and practices may cause sources of recycled tile to go out of business or require substantially higher than necessary minimum orders from Ludowici and force us to spend unneccessary public funds to replace entire roofs when most of the roof is in good condition and only a few tiles are damaged. Thank you for your consideration.

From:

cynthiamertz@lehighcounty.org

Sent:

Monday, December 19, 2005 3:54 PM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 19, 2005, 3:54 pm by:

Petitioner name Cynthia Douglas Mertz Occupation Administrative Officer

State of Residence .. PA

Email address cynthiamertz@lehighcounty.org

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Additional COMMENT from Cynthia Douglas Mertz

Please do the right thing in regards to historic preservation.

From: geosits@allentowncity.org

Sent: Monday, December 19, 2005 3:30 PM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 19, 2005, 3:30 pm by:

Petitioner name Cynthia Geosits Occupation Community Planner

State of Residence .. PA

Email address geosits@allentowncity.org

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Additional COMMENT from Cynthia Geosits

From:

clastile@bellsouth.net

Sent:

Monday, December 19, 2005 12:34 PM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 19, 2005, 12:34 pm by:

Petitioner name Steve Yoder

Occupation Tile Distributor

State of Residence .. GA

Email address clastile@bellsouth.net

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Additional COMMENT from Steve Yoder

From:

ftolentino@cegglc.com

Sent:

Monday, December 19, 2005 7:43 AM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 19, 2005, 7:42 am by:

Petitioner name Frank Tolentino

Occupation Archtiectural Designer

State of Residence .. VA

Email address ftolentino@cegglc.com

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Additional COMMENT from Frank Tolentino

I have dealt with historic roofing in reroofing local buildings going back to the early part of the last century. In order to have competetive bids it is important to keep creative approaches for construction. I agree that the owner/architect and NOT the supplier should determine the accuracy of the preservation.

From:

dublintileroof@aol.com

Sent:

Sunday, December 18, 2005 1:28 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 18, 2005, 1:28 pm by:

Petitioner name Stephen Ridge

Occupation Roofer State of Residence .. TX

Email address dublintileroof@aol.com

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Additional COMMENT from Stephen Ridge

From:

mike@mortensonroofing.com

Sent:

Saturday, December 17, 2005 3:40 PM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 17, 2005, 3:40 pm by:

Petitioner name Michael Lukis

Occupation Owner/Roofing Contractor

State of Residence .. IL

Email address mike@mortensonroofing.com

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Additional COMMENT from Michael Lukis

We recently found out about Ludowici's 1929 Sherman Anti-trust decree and their apparent success in having it removed.

Our company has been purchasing, installing, and repairing Ludowici tile roofs since 1937. We knew something had changed when in the past month they made us purchase 100 pieces of field tile for the ridiculous price of \$2000 on an order where all we needed is approx. \$4000 worth of tile fittings to do a repair on an old Ludowici tile roof. On another order we had to purchase over \$4000 worth of field tile to get the fittings we need to do a repair on another old Ludowici tile roof. Unfortunately they are the only manufacturer of these fittings that we need to do these repairs.

Ludowici has a total monopoly on the clay tile restoration market in our area. From these recent indications by Ludowici, lifting this decree will have a terrible and significant effect on our business and many other roof repair/restoration businesses. We are totally against lifting the Sherman anti-trust decree which has been in place, and is still needed to protect companies like ours from the practices they are now using.

From:

calvingore@msn.com

Sent:

Saturday, December 17, 2005 8:40 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 17, 2005, 8:40 am by:

Petitioner name Calvin Gore

Occupation Tile Roofing Sales State of Residence .. TX

Email address calvingore@msn.com

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Additional COMMENT from Calvin Gore

This is kind of like a car manufaturer who bulds cars but does not provide parts to repair them in the future, you just have to buy a new car!

From:

kmcgee@gwi.net

Sent:

Friday, December 16, 2005 5:39 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 16, 2005, 5:39 pm by:

Petitioner name Kathleen McGee

Occupation Tax Reform Campaign Director

State of Residence .. Me

Email address kmcgee@gwi.net

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Additional COMMENT from Kathleen McGee

Consumers have the right to choose where they secure the materials they need. Competition is essential in any business, a precept that has been subverted over the years by large corporate concerns.

Small business is the backbone of the American economy. With these huge corporations dictating the means by which any trade may operate, small business and consumers suffer unduly.

From:

jhobson@h2l2.com

Sent:

Friday, December 16, 2005 12:34 PM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 16, 2005, 12:33 pm by:

Petitioner name James P. Hobson RA CSI CCS

Occupation Architect and Specifier

State of Residence .. PA

Email address jhobson@h2l2.com

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Additional COMMENT from James P. Hobson RA CSI CCS

I am particularly concerned about any interference by Ludowici with the used tile market. This action is in conflict with many attempts to provide "green" sustainable building material through recycling of usable building material.

This recycling is to be encouraged - not discouraged by unfair trade practice. I also oppose any attempt by a manufacturer to link purchase of one type of material [trim] to purchase of another type of material [field tile] I petition either that the original antitrust action be retained or that, now that there are more roof tile companies, a new set of conditions be imposed restricting Ludowici regarding minimum orders and interfering with recycling efforts.

From:

tombett@verizon.net

Sent:

Friday, December 16, 2005 10:41 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 16, 2005, 10:40 am by:

Petitioner name Thomas F. Leavitt

Occupation Sales State of Residence .. MA

Email address tombett@verizon.net

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Additional COMMENT from Thomas F. Leavitt

From: PRAJOEY@AOL.COM

Sent: Friday, December 16, 2005 9:19 AM

To: Hill, Čhristine A

Subject: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 16, 2005, 9:19 am by:

Petitioner name JOEY MESSINA

Occupation ROOFER

State of Residence .. LA

Email address PRAJOEY@AOL.COM

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Additional COMMENT from JOEY MESSINA

From:

hlforbes@juno.com

Sent:

Friday, December 16, 2005 9:10 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 16, 2005, 9:10 am by:

Petitioner name Harry Lee Forbes

Occupation Historic Roofing Contractor

State of Residence .. WV

Email address hlforbes@juno.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Harry Lee Forbes

We have worked hard over the last 25 years to preserve the beauty and integrity of the historic roof systems in the eastern US. Many of the tiles produced 50+ years ago cannot be perfectly matched today due to regulations on the lead industry and for other reasons. Requiring the use of new field tiles in restoration and repair would strongly hamper and degrade the quality of our industry.

From:

dtreuter@alumni.utexas.net

Sent:

Thursday, December 15, 2005 4:37 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 15, 2005, 4:37 pm by:

Petitioner name Douglas A. Treuter

Occupation Architectural Sales Representative

State of Residence .. TX

Email address dtreuter@alumni.utexas.net

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From: rtscdoug@aol.com

Sent: Thursday, December 15, 2005 2:27 PM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 15, 2005, 2:26 pm by:

Petitioner name doug straubmueller

Occupation president, the roof tile and slate company

State of Residence .. tx

Email address rtscdoug@aol.com

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Additional COMMENT from doug straubmueller

We have been a distributor for Ludowici Clay Tile for over 10 years. Ludowici has the majority of the clay rooftile market in the areas of the country that have freeze thaw conditions. They also produced of most clay tiles used on historical buildings during the last century. They have taken a stance of not taking any orders for trim tiles (unless the order is placed with the regular field tiles), which are needed when restoring old buildings. It would be like a major automotive manufacturer refusing to sell parts unless you buy the whole car. They have recently told my company that we are no longer allowed to order from them because we sell reclaimed Ludowici roof tiles and clay tiles from competing manufacturers. We have a good payment history with Ludowici, and sell various products like all roofing supply companies do. I feel that they are unfairly refusing to sell to our company. They have a monopoly in the above mentioned areas and are refusing to sell product!

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From:

station4@elmirafiremuseum.org

Sent:

Thursday, December 15, 2005 11:58 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 15, 2005, 11:57 am by:

Petitioner name Jeffrey C Burger

Occupation President - The Historic 1897 Firehouse

State of Residence .. NY

Email address station4@elmirafiremuseum.org

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Additional COMMENT from Jeffrey C Burger

This would be a disaster for those of us with existing clay tile roofs that only need repair pieces. Why replace a good roof just because trim pieces can not be obtained? Thnak you for your careful consideration of this important issue.

From:

Rtscdow@aol.com

Sent:

Thursday, December 15, 2005 11:12 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 15, 2005, 11:11 am by:

Petitioner name Dow Staubmueller

Occupation Sales State of Residence .. TX

Email address Rtscdow@aol.com

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Additional COMMENT from Dow Staubmueller

East of the Rockies Ludowici owns approximately 80-90% of the market because they are one of the only ones in the clay tile market that sells in freeze-thaw conditions. Of the 5 or 6 companies that Ludowici list as competition east of the Rockies only one will compete throughout the countries and they do not actively pursue jobs east of the Rockies.

From:

vervo@aol.com

Sent:

Tuesday, December 13, 2005 1:01 PM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 13, 2005, 1:00 pm by:

Petitioner name David Alvarez

Occupation Sheet Metal and Roofing Manager

State of Residence .. TX

Email address vervo@aol.com

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Additional COMMENT from David Alvarez

From:

jaycosm@sbcglobal.net

Sent:

Tuesday, December 13, 2005 10:53 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 13, 2005, 10:52 am by:

Petitioner name Jay Erlandson

Occupation Jay-Co Sheet Metal and Roofing, Inc.

State of Residence .. TX

Email address jaycosm@sbcglobal.net

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Additional COMMENT from Jay Erlandson

We opose Ludowici's sales tactics regarding the aforementioned materials and therefore will join this petition for the cause.

From:

montie.brown@insightbb.com

Tuesday, December 13, 2005 10:08 AM Sent:

Hill. Christine A To:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134 Subject:

The following petition submitted December 13, 2005, 10:08 am by:

Petitioner name Montie G Brown Occupation General Contractor

State of Residence .. KY

Email address montie.brown@insightbb.com

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Additional COMMENT from Montie G Brown

From:

john_pack@sbcglobal.net

Sent:

Tuesday, December 13, 2005 9:36 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 13, 2005, 9:36 am by:

Petitioner name John Pack

Occupation Roofing and Sheet Metal Contractor

State of Residence .. TX

Email address john pack@sbcglobal.net

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Additional COMMENT from John Pack

Have you heard of the term "racketeering?" This is a great example. Enforce the decree!

From:

chan@cornettroofing.com

Sent:

Tuesday, December 13, 2005 8:46 AM

To:

Hill. Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 13, 2005, 8:46 am by:

Petitioner name Richard Cornett

Occupation Contractor

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Email address chan@cornettroofing.com

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Additional COMMENT from Richard Cornett

From:

chinte@nyc.rr.com

Sent:

Monday, December 12, 2005 10:41 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 12, 2005, 10:40 pm by:

Petitioner name L Kligman Occupation roofing repair

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State of Residence .. NY

Email address chinte@nyc.rr.com

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Additional COMMENT from L Kligman

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From: geopanda1@yahoo.com

Sent: Monday, December 12, 2005 10:39 PM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 12, 2005, 10:39 pm by:

Petitioner name L Kelly Occupation roofing

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From:

jana@claytile.com

Sent:

Monday, December 12, 2005 3:44 PM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 12, 2005, 3:44 pm by:

Petitioner name Jana Kay

Occupation Clay Roof Tile Sales

State of Residence .. TX

Email address jana@claytile.com

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Additional COMMENT from Jana Kay

We were visited by the Vice President of Ludowici Sales (Tab Colbert) last week and told that because we carry competing products, Ludowici no longer is going to allow us to sell their tile. Not too long ago, we were also told that we could no longer place trim orders to supply along with our historical field tile jobs. This will greatly affect our business as we supply antique tiles for repair jobs in storm ravaged areas. If we can no longer order needed trim pieces, how are we supposed to help our customers? Ludowici has gone behind our backs on several orders and tried to get our customers to place orders directly through their area rep. In order to get Ludowici pricing, we are forced to give our customer information. Ludowici then, in turn, contacts our customer and offers them the opportunity to buy direct at a cheaper cost. Ludowici has not changed their approach to the clay tile business. They still lie and cheat in order to sell jobs.

From:

tmcassin@hotmail.com

Sent:

Monday, December 12, 2005 2:41 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 12, 2005, 2:41 pm by:

Petitioner name tom cassin

Occupation roofing contractor

State of Residence .. tx

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Additional COMMENT from tom cassin

From:

RfgTile@aol.com

Sent:

Monday, December 12, 2005 9:56 AM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

The Ludowici Roof Tile Company



Dear Ms. Hill: Within days of the notice of the lifting of the decree, Ludowici, for the first time refused to sell trim to our company. Their representative informed me that they would no longer accept trim orders without an appropriate field tile purchase. This is now happening all over the country. We have known for some time by their public statements that they intended to do this in order to eliminate the used tile market. Doesn't this put them in violation of the Decree as of this moment? It seems that they couldn't wait until the elimination of the Decree was final.

Interesting note: I may be the only person alive today that knew one of the principals of the original Ludowici-Celadon Company, Dr. R.E. Sturtevant. As a teen age boy I met him several times when my father (Charles L. McGee) was Sales Manager of the company. Dad went on to become the CEO in the late 1940-1950's.

Ken McGee, President The Tile Man, Inc.

From:

ccannon@cannonroofing.com

Sent: To: Monday, December 12, 2005 6:17 AM Hill, Christine A; ranv05@verizon.net

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 12, 2005, 6:16 am by:

Petitioner name Chris Cannon

Occupation Roofing Contractor

State of Residence .. SC

Email address ccannon@cannonroofing.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Chris Cannon

I believe this will impose extreme additional costs to Owners who would prefer to "renovate" their existing roof in lieu of replacing it. It truly removed their right if replacement parts are not available.

From:

boonejan@hubserv.com

Sent: To: Subject: Sunday, December 11, 2005 2:54 PM Hill, Christine A; ranv05@verizon.net Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 2:53 pm by:

Petitioner name Janice Boone

Occupation Small business owner

State of Residence .. MS

Email address boonejan@hubserv.com

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Additional COMMENT from Janice Boone

Ludowici should be confronted at their refusal to sell trim without a field tile order. They should not be allowed to exercise their monopoly and therefore take advantage of customers especially at a time of reconstruction after Hurricane Katrina.

From:

pewful@aol.com

Sent: To: Sunday, December 11, 2005 2:30 PM Hill, Christine A; ranv05@verizon.net

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 2:29 pm by:

Petitioner name Jennifer Blickensderfer

Occupation Secretary

State of Residence .. NC

Email address pewful@aol.com

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Additional COMMENT from Jennifer Blickensderfer

We need to be able to purchase vintage or used tile to match an existing roof or many of our customers and many of America's most beautiful homes may lose their tile roofs. Thank you.

From:

Subject:

sallen1279@hotmail.com

Sent: To: Sunday, December 11, 2005 2:21 PM Hill, Christine A; ranv05@verizon.net Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 2:21 pm by:

Petitioner name Sandy Allen Occupation retired

State of Residence .. TN

Email address sallen1279@hotmail.com

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Additional COMMENT from Sandy Allen

From:

Subject:

gtreuter@austin.rr.com

Sent: To: Sunday, December 11, 2005 2:19 PM Hill, Christine A; ranv05@verizon.net Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 2:19 pm by:

Petitioner name Gina L. Treuter

Occupation Housewife

State of Residence .. TX

Email address gtreuter@austin.rr.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from Gina L. Treuter

I believe Ludowici/Celadon is currently in violation of the 1929 terms of Decree. My husband has had business dealings with this company for many years. Their employees have made numerous false accusations to local individuals in the industry in an effort to defame the reputations of my husband and the company he works for. I firmly believe this to be an effort on the part of Ludiwici/Celadon to fetter, coerce and manipulate trade practices.

From:

entpseroofing@aol.com

Sent: To: Sunday, December 11, 2005 2:12 PM Hill, Christine A; ranv05@verizon.net

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 2:11 pm by:

Petitioner name Tyrone Robinson

Occupation Contractor

State of Residence .. TN

Email address entpseroofing@aol.com

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Additional COMMENT from Tyrone Robinson

From:

susan@iversonindustries.com

Sent: To: Sunday, December 11, 2005 1:53 PM Hill, Christine A; ranv05@verizon.net

Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 1:53 pm by:

Petitioner name Susan Iverson Occupation Homemaker

State of Residence .. MI

Email address susan@iversonindustries.com

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Additional COMMENT from Susan Iverson

From:

bill@iversonindustries.com

Sent: To:

Sunday, December 11, 2005 1:51 PM Hill, Christine A; ranv05@verizon.net Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

Subject:

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 1:50 pm by:

Petitioner name William Iverson

State of Residence .. MI

Occupation Business Owner

Email address bill@iversonindustries.com

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Additional COMMENT from William Iverson

From: ranv05@verizon.net

Sent: Sunday, December 11, 2005 12:49 PM

To: Hill, Christine A

Subject: [Fwd: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134]

Last forwarded petition thanks

Randy Vlahos

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Subject: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

Date: Sun, 11 Dec 2005 08:33:39 -0500

From: leaktraker@mchsi.com
Reply-To: leaktraker@mchsi.com

To: ranv05@verizon.net

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 8:33 am by:

Petitioner name Steven C. Rulli Occupation Roof Contractor

State of Residence .. NC

Email address leaktraker@mchsi.com

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Additional COMMENT from Steven C. Rulli

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I rarely need a whole roof worth of tiles as I mainly do repair work. I like Ludowici's product and need them often

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From:

ranv05@verizon.net

Sent:

Sunday, December 11, 2005 12:49 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

[Fwd: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134]

... one more petitioner: Randy Vlahos

----- Original Message ------

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134 Subject:

Sun, 11 Dec 2005 09:09:46 -0500 Date:

pipt80@aol.com From: pipt80@aol.com Reply-To: ranv05@verizon.net To:

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 9:09 am by:

Petitioner name John Pippenger Occupation Fire fighter

State of Residence .. tn

Email address pipt80@aol.com

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Additional COMMENT from John Pippenger

From:

ranv05@verizon.net

Sent:

Sunday, December 11, 2005 12:47 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

[Fwd: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134]

Another petitioner...

Thanks

Randy Vlahos

----- Original Message -----

Subject: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

Sun, 11 Dec 2005 10:25:57 -0500 Date:

TheBlickCo@aol.com Reply-To: TheBlickCo@aol.com

ranv05@verizon.net To:

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 10:25 am by:

Petitioner name James M. Blickensderfer

Occupation General Manager/The Blickensderfer Company

State of Residence .. NC

Email address TheBlickCo@aol.com

PETITION

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Additional COMMENT from James M. Blickensderfer

We feel very strongly about this issue as restoration of historic homes and buildings is our main source of business.

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From:

ranv05@verizon.net

Sent:

Sunday, December 11, 2005 12:45 PM

To:

Hill, Christine A

Subject:

[Fwd: Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134]

Dear Ms. Hill,

As I mentioned in previous email, I have building a website to enable interested members of the clay tile roofing & restoration industry to endorse a "Petition" - and submit their comments at the bottom, if desired.

This was finished and approved, however I erred by sending out a few notices before having "pointed" the form at your emailbox, resulting in the first (4) responses coming to me. I will forward these right away the first below.

Email is used only to spread the word, the petition itself is contained on a web page (form) here: http://www.committeetopreserveamericashistoricroofingtile.org/

We welcome your comments and/or suggestions!

Thank you

Randy Vlahos,

(web designer for)

The Committee to Preserve America's Clay Roofing Tile

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Subject:

Comment on Civil Action No. 05-C-6134

Date: Sun, 11 Dec 2005 10:42:58 -0500

From:

alva2303@aol.com

Reply-To:

alva2303@aol.com

To: ranv05@verizon.net

The following petition submitted December 11, 2005, 10:42 am by:

Petitioner name Fred Alvarado

Occupation Sales

State of Residence .. Tx

Email address alva2303@aol.com

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Additional COMMENT from Fred Alvarado

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