

## **Information for Mediator**

You have been called in to mediate a dispute between Blast, Inc. which quarries sandstone near Anytown, Minnesota, and Citizens Against Blast (CAB), a citizens' organization whose residents live in a Historic District in Anytown and who claim that Blast's activities are damaging their lives and homes.

Recently, Blast submitted a request to the Pollution Control Agency for an amendment to its permit to allow it to expand its blasting activity. Once CAB heard this, they contacted the PCA to object. The President of Blast and Ruth/Ray Nader, CAB's President, agreed with the PCA's suggestion that they try mediation. They agreed upon you as the mediator.