

# #1

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Luanne Zarlengo  
**Organization (if any):** John Zarlengo Asphalt  
**City/Town:** Chicago Heights  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60411

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## Q2

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## Q3

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Coal Tar Sealant Ban

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## Q4

What do you want to do?

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**Q5**

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We have found that asphalt emulsion is inferior and does not compare to coal tar. The product does not cover well or wear as long. In the past, we have experienced many unhappy customers. We have had many complaints and had to go out and reapply the sealer at our expense to please our customers.

We have always had a wonderful reputation for the quality of our work and truly feel this will impact our business.

Furthermore, we are a small family business and if we lose our clientele we will be forced to either reduce our employees hours or lay them off.

Please reconsider banning this product. Thank you!

**Q6**

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**Q7**

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q8**

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q9**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, which language do you need translated?

## #2

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### Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Joe McMahon  
**Organization (if any):** Illinois automobile dealers association  
**City/Town:** Springfield  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 62704

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Email Address	<b><a href="mailto:jmcmahon@illinoisdealers.com">jmcmahon@illinoisdealers.com</a></b>
Phone Number	<b>2176528032</b>

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**Q8** No

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #3

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Alec Laird  
**Organization (if any):** Illinois Retail Merchants Association  
**City/Town:** Springfield  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 62701

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

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# #4

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	<b>Ryan Petrick</b>
Organization (if any):	<b>Ridgeworth Roofing</b>
City/Town:	<b>Frankfort</b>
State:	<b>IL</b>
ZIP:	<b>60423</b>

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Jessica Roque  
**Organization (if any):** Chicago Roofing Contractors Assoc  
**City/Town:** Glen Ellyn  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60137

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Email Address	<b>jessica@crca.org</b>
Phone Number	<b>7084493340</b>

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #6

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	<b>Charmaine Spreitzer</b>
City/Town:	<b>Lockport</b>
State:	<b>IL</b>
ZIP:	<b>60441</b>

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## Q2

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## Q4

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

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# #7

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Greg Carlson  
**City/Town:** Arlington Heights  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60005

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## Q2

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Email Address	<b>greg@riddiford.com</b>
Phone Number	<b>847-378-6012</b>

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**Q8** No

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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COMPLETE

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**Q1**

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name: **Eric Fiest**

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**Q2**

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**Q4**

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Please do not ban Coal Tar Pitch in relation to roofing systems. Coal tar pitch is a long lasting roofing product that requires replacement less frequently than other materials.

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**Q8** **Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q9** **Respondent skipped this question**

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# #9

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Mario Cairo  
**Organization (if any):** CSR Roofing Contractors, Inc.  
**City/Town:** Broadview  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60155

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## Q2

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

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# #10

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**Time Spent:** 00:02:10  
**IP Address:** 104.187.44.75

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Mike Stieren  
**Organization (if any):** Illinois Automotive Dealers Association  
**City/Town:** Springfield  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 62704

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## Q2

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Email Address	<b>mstieren@illinoisdealers.com</b>
Phone Number	<b>2177252208</b>

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #11

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Mitchell Rabin  
**Organization (if any):** A-1 Roofing Company  
**City/Town:** Elk Grove Village  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60007

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This ordinance should have an exception for roofing.

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**Q9**

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# #12

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**Last Modified:** Monday, February 26, 2024 3:08:08 PM  
**Time Spent:** 00:02:32  
**IP Address:** 173.165.20.81

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Tom Varkalis  
**Organization (if any):** Crawford Roofing Experts  
**City/Town:** Crestwood  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60418

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## Q2

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## Q3

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## Q4

What do you want to do?

**REGISTER IN OPPOSITION to a specific item (You may add written comments below)**

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**Q5** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q6** Submitting written testimony only

Please Indicate if you are only submitting written testimony or if you wish to address the Committee live (virtually) at the meeting.

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**Q7** If requesting to address the Board or Committee live (virtually or in-person), please provide an email address and phone number (This is required to receive and an invitation to the virtual meeting).

Email Address	<b><a href="mailto:tvarkalis@crawfordroofingexperts.com">tvarkalis@crawfordroofingexperts.com</a></b>
Phone Number	<b>7083855555</b>

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #13

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Kevin Froeter  
**Organization (if any):** Sterling Commercial Roofing Inc.  
**City/Town:** Sterling  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 61081

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## Q2

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## Q4

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**Q6** Submitting written testimony only

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**Q7** If requesting to address the Board or Committee live (virtually or in-person), please provide an email address and phone number (This is required to receive and an invitation to the virtual meeting).

Email Address	<b>kfroeter@sterlingroofing.com</b>
Phone Number	<b>8156267744</b>

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #14

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Thomas Cleary  
**City/Town:** Chicago  
**ZIP:** 60637

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## Q2

Tell us which meeting you wish to be recorded as a witness. If you don't know the meeting or date, we can help at 312.603.6398 or [cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov). You can also look up using the County Calendar or the Forest Preserve Calendar. Please fill out a separate form for each meeting at which you wish to speak.

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## Q4

What do you want to do?

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## Q5

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I am opposition to this ordinance. There aren't many of these roofs left and this would leave the owners very few options to continue to maintain their facilities.

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**Q6** **Submitting written testimony only**

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**Q7** **Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q8** **Respondent skipped this question**

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9** **Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #15

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	<b>Jim Peterson</b>
Organization (if any):	<b>Roofer</b>
City/Town:	<b>Mt Prospect</b>
State:	<b>IL</b>
ZIP:	<b>60056</b>

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## Q2

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## Q3

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## Q4

What do you want to do?

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**Q6** Submitting written testimony only

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**Q7** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #16

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	<b>Jeremy Schnizlein</b>
City/Town:	<b>Elk Grove Village</b>
State:	<b>IL</b>
ZIP:	<b>60007</b>

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## Q2

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## Q3

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**Respondent skipped this question**

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## Q4

What do you want to do?

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**Q5** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q6** Submitting written testimony only

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**Q7** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #17

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Todd Fehsel  
**Organization (if any):** Crawford Roofing Experts  
**City/Town:** Crestwood  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60418

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## Q2

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## Q3

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## Q4

What do you want to do?

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #18

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Dan Stanton  
**City/Town:** Melrose Park  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60160

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## Q2

Tell us which meeting you wish to be recorded as a witness. If you don't know the meeting or date, we can help at 312.603.6398 or [cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov). You can also look up using the County Calendar or the Forest Preserve Calendar. Please fill out a separate form for each meeting at which you wish to speak.

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## Q3

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## Q4

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**Q5**

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Committee should modify their position on Coal Tar ban and permit use in Roofing repair and installation. Use in roofing is much different than use in seal coating pavement. As a rooftop product, there is very limited exposure or human traffic on its surface unlike pavement. There are many benefits of Coal tar which are not being considered in roofing. Coal Tar is an aromatic hydrocarbon and a by-product from the coking process of the coal industry. It is historically in abundance where coal is used in steel manufacturing. As a roofing product it is very durable for flat roof deck surfaces. It holds up very well in our extreme climate range. It ages very slowly through volatilization and is an excellent waterproofing and oil resistant product. Roofs are manufactured by heating the coal tar and applying between layers of coal tar saturated felts. It has limitations to application on dead level or flat roofs with slopes less than 1/4 in 12. It has a tendency to soften in warm temperatures and "heal" itself. It is typically ballasted with gravel to provide a walking surface, however a mineral surface membrane is available. Coal Tar provides an extremely long-life cycle that is sustainable and renewable. It does take some energy to manufacture and to construct a roof with it but its proven longevity with periodic maintenance provides service for many years, with ages from 50 to 70 years not uncommon, with some now performing for over a century. Currently, there are cold process (no kettle is used) coal tar pitch products that almost eliminate all fumes associated with its typical hot process version. Because of longer life cycle (more than double) the need to replace roofs is significantly less frequent than other roofing materials. Less waste in landfills. As always roofers should wear proper personal protection equipment when handling this product.

**Q6**

**Submitting written testimony only**

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**Q7**

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q8**

**No**

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

**Q9**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, which language do you need translated?

# #19

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	<b>Michael A. Prate</b>
Organization (if any):	<b>Prate roofing and Installations PLLC</b>
City/Town:	<b>Wauconda</b>
State:	<b>IL</b>
ZIP:	<b>60084</b>

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## Q2

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## Q3

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**Respondent skipped this question**

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## Q4

What do you want to do?

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**Q5** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q8** No

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #20

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Tim McMahon  
**Organization (if any):** A-1 Roofing Company  
**City/Town:** ELK GROVE  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60007

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## Q2

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## Q3

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## Q4

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**Q5**

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The proposed legislation will do nothing more than hurt local businesses and individuals that rely on these products to make a living. Coal tar is a vital component in many commercial/industrial applications and unless there is a proposed substitute that is cost effective and compatible this is nothing more than another tax on Cook County residents. Another tax via fines.

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**Q6**

**Submitting written testimony only**

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**Q7**

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Email Address	<b>timcmahon@a1roofing.com</b>
Phone Number	<b>18479523600</b>

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**Q8**

**No**

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #21

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Thomas "Tank" O'Brien  
**Organization (if any):** O'Brien Roof Consulting, Inc  
**City/Town:** Chicago  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60614-1833

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## Q2

Tell us which meeting you wish to be recorded as a witness. If you don't know the meeting or date, we can help at 312.603.6398 or [cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov). You can also look up using the County Calendar or the Forest Preserve Calendar. Please fill out a separate form for each meeting at which you wish to speak.

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## Q3

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## Q4

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The use of Coal Tar Pitch (CTP) in the roofing industry for over 100 years. There are still numerous roofing applications where CTP is the best and most sustainable product to use. There have been several studies by OSHA and EPA . Neither organization have found CTP not acceptable for use as a roofing membrane. It would be a tremendous loss to the roofing industry if CTP could not be use in the future.

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**Q6**

**Submitting written testimony only**

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**Q7**

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q8**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If addressing the Board or Committee live (in-person or virtually), do you require translation services?

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**Q9**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #22

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	<b>Thomas Pritchard</b>
Organization (if any):	<b>A-1 Roofing Company</b>
City/Town:	<b>Elk Grove Village</b>
State:	<b>IL</b>
ZIP:	<b>60007</b>

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## Q2

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## Q3

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## Q4

What do you want to do?

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**Q5**

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Request an exemption for Coal Tar roofing products.

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**Q6**

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**Q7**

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q8**

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q9**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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# #23

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	<b>Margaret Vaughn</b>
Organization (if any):	<b>Chicago Roofing Contractors Association</b>
City/Town:	<b>Hillside</b>
State:	<b>IL</b>
ZIP:	<b>60162</b>

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## Q2

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## Q4

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**Q5**

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Would like to request an exemption for roofing work.

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**Q6**

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**Q7**

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**Q8**

**No**

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**Q9**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Donovan Griffith  
**Organization (if any):** Illinois Manufacturers' Association  
**City/Town:** Springfield  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 62701

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## Q2

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Written Statement emailed.

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Email Address

**dgriffith@ima-net.org**

Phone Number

**12176221672**

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**Q8**

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q9**

**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Cynthia Schilsky  
**City/Town:** LaGrange  
**State:** IL  
**ZIP:** 60525

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## Q2

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## Q4

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**Q8** Respondent skipped this question

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**Q9** Respondent skipped this question

If yes, which language do you need translated?

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

Witness Name:	<b>Kyle Wirkus</b>
Organization (if any):	<b>Wirkus Paving</b>
City/Town:	<b>Steger</b>
State:	<b>IL</b>
ZIP:	<b>60475</b>

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Coal tar is a superior product. If we are forced to use an inferior product this will negatively affect our business.

We could lose accounts based on performance. Resulting in layoffs if there is not enough work.

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**Q8**

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**Q9**

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## Q1

Please provide some basic information

**Witness Name:** Brian J. Anthony  
**Organization (if any):** The Brewer Company  
**City/Town:** Milford  
**State:** OH  
**ZIP:** 45150

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## Q2

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#23-5769 - Coal Tar Sealant Ban

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2/27/2024

My name is Brian Anthony, I am President of The Brewer Company and acting Chairman of the Pavement Coatings Technology Council (PCTC). I have worked for The Brewer Company for thirty years, rising from the position of Technical Director to President. Though we were founded in 1933 as a family-owned business, we became an Employee-owned business (ESOP) in 2012, when the remaining family shareholder sold the business to our employees. We average approximately 46 full-time employees, over 1/3 of which are employed in Illinois.

We have been manufacturing and/or distributing pavement sealers, predominantly refined coal tar based, since the 1960's. In the State of IL, we operate a manufacturing facility in LaSalle (5 employees) and two (2) distribution centers, one in Markham (7 employees) and the other in Bensenville (5 employees).

We respectfully register our opposition to this ordinance for several reasons, including but not limited to:

- Independent, third-party testing has demonstrated that the science (USGS study) which serves as the basis for this ordinance is flawed and has been debunked.
- The alternative products available on the market are inferior in performance and some are more than double the price of refined coal tar sealant. These alternatives, lasting only half as long as refined coal tar sealants, will double to quadruple the cost of maintenance for the property owner. Additionally, the more frequent maintenance applications will virtually double the carbon footprint and will yield significant increases to landfill waste due to pre-mature asphalt pavement failures and resurfacing remedies.
- Refined coal tar sealants are:
  - o FAA approved for use on municipal airports.
  - o Currently specified for use in bridge deck water proofing in the State of Illinois.
- No current or historical studies have ever directly linked the use of refined coal tar pavement sealers to adverse human health effects.
- The proposed ban language is vague and contains gaps:
  - o "Sell at retail" is not a defined term. A quick Google search generates a plethora of "definitions".
  - o The ordinance is silent on validation and enforcement mechanisms.

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**Q8**

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q9** **Respondent skipped this question**

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Honorable Toni Preckwinkle  
and Honorable Members of the Board  
of Commissioners of Cook County  
118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

**RE: PROPOSED PAVEMENT SEALER ORDINANCE**

Dear President Preckwinkle and Members of the Board of Commissioners,

I am a board-certified toxicologist specializing in risk assessment and stewardship for products. I am a founder of Ramboll's Product Safety and Stewardship practice and led our team evaluating food and product safety. Ramboll is a global consulting and engineering firm and the more than 50 employees in our downtown Chicago office work every day to advance environmental protection and cleanup in Cook County and beyond. I have extensive experience evaluating human health and environmental risks associated with the production, distribution, use and disposal of ingredients and products.

My purpose in contacting you is to share findings about my long-term study relating to the issues raised in a proposed ordinance pertaining to pavement sealer products. This may be a well-intentioned effort to manage human-related inputs to waterways, but the proposal will not accomplish its intended effect of lowering specifically the combustion byproducts known as PAHs by targeting the selected pavement sealer products alone.

Since 2005, I have directed a study of the country's most-referenced pavement sealer ban in Austin, Texas. That ban was represented during its consideration as a means to reduce PAHs in waterways by 90 percent. Attached you will find a summary of our latest monitoring in Austin which includes measurements from June, 2023. The primary finding is that PAH inputs to waterways across Austin have not been reduced in the 17 years since the ban. In fact, average PAH concentrations have slightly increased consistent with population growth. As combustion byproducts, PAHs characteristically follow population dynamics since human-related activities as broad as vehicle use, home heating and energy use, and transportation for commerce all involve combustion and materials including PAHs.

The data collected in the field do not support the assertion made in Austin, Texas that banning an individual product type would change PAH conditions in waterways there. There is no reason to expect that data will support the effectiveness of a similarly narrowly targeted approach via a product ban in Cook County. To be able to achieve and highlight environmental and health benefits from managing waterway conditions, alternative and more complex approaches would be necessary.

February 25, 2024

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I have studied PAH transport in the environment for more than 25 years and identified the safe levels subsequently used in environmental management programs for US Air Force and NASA facilities and adopted into state regulatory programs in Florida. Unfortunately, an ordinance focusing on a single product type will not have a significant impact on waterway quality relating to PAHs due to their numerous and ubiquitous sources.

If you have questions about my work in this area or to discuss ideas about managing PAH in the environment, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert P. DeMott', written in a cursive style.

**Robert P. DeMott, Ph.D.**  
Principal Toxicologist  
Product Safety & Stewardship

9 November 2023

Since 2005 Ramboll scientists have directed a long-term study sponsored by the Pavement Coatings Technology Council to monitor levels of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) in stream sediments in Austin, Texas. Effective January 2006, the City of Austin banned the use of pavement sealer products formulated with coal tar-based materials, which contain PAHs. City staff projected a 90% reduction in PAH inputs to streams from this action. To monitor the changes potentially related to the ban, Ramboll collected sediment samples at a series of Austin stream locations in 2005, before the ban, in 2008, approximately 2 years after the ban, and in 2023, approximately 17 years after the ban.

Stream characteristics in Austin are advantageous for this type of sediment monitoring over time because there are a number of stream systems with hard rock stream beds where pockets of sediment from nearby areas collect, but are then scoured away completely during subsequent storm events that yield high velocity, flash-flood type flows. Sediment collected from these stream locations is more reflective of recent inputs from the surrounding watersheds compared with cores from the bottom of silty streams where newly deposited sediment overlays older sediment beneath, making evaluation of discrete timeframes challenging.

Using this stream characteristic as a study design feature means that the results from the stream sediment samples evaluated by Ramboll reflect snapshots in time of conditions before, shortly after, and well after the ban. Samples in 2008 and 2023 were collected from the same locations along streams as in 2005, albeit reflecting recently deposited sediment not present at the preceding event.

The primary finding of the monitoring study is that sediment PAH concentrations have not changed notably since the ban.

<b>Timepoint</b>	<b>Average</b> (Sum of 16 EPA Priority PAHs)	
Before (2005)	11.1 mg/kg	24 samples
Shortly After (2008)	17 mg/kg	20 samples
Well After (2023)	11.8 mg/kg	21 samples

When analyzed statistically, there are no significant differences between the groups of results from each year. Also, comparing 2005 to 2023 results at specific locations, total PAH levels increased at 6 locations and decreased at 7 locations. In other words, there is no consistent trend downwards, nor upwards, over time. This supports a conclusion that the pavement sealer ban did not change conditions

in Austin streams and reduce PAH levels. The sources contributing PAHs to Austin stream continue to yield conditions similar to those before the ban.

Additional analyses looked at the chemical fingerprints resulting from combinations of various PAHs found in samples. PAHs are produced by combustion of fossil fuels and organic materials, including wood. PAH fingerprints can be indicative of different sources of PAHs. The most notable finding is that the 2023 fingerprints remain similar to those found in 2005. And, both 2005 and 2023 fingerprints resemble those common for sediments from urban areas across the US. The fingerprints indicate a mixture of PAH sources, which is expected from the various combustion sources in highly populated areas. Further, the fingerprints from sediment samples before and after the ban do not match those obtained from reference samples of either coal tar or coal tar-based pavement sealer. Both of these findings indicate that coal tar-based pavement sealers were not a predominant source of PAHs in Austin streams before the ban and that targeting this specific product did not substantially change the mixture of PAHs found in area streams, nor the overall levels as presented above.

PAHs are ubiquitous in sediments around urban waterways because combustion processes are ubiquitous. Coal tar-based pavement sealer products have a service life of up to approximately 5 years. At the time of the most recent sampling, 17 years after ban, new PAH inputs to streams from old pavement sealer applications would have dropped off substantially, perhaps nearly entirely. However, no corresponding change in PAH concentrations in Austin stream sediments or PAH fingerprints has been observed. The data collected in the field do not support the assertion made by Austin City staff that the ban targeting one particular product would cut PAH inputs to streams in the city by 90%.

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February 26, 2024

Honorable Toni Preckwinkle  
and Honorable Members of the Board  
of Commissioners of Cook County  
118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

**Subject: Proposed Substitute Ordinance #23-5769 – Coal Tar Sealant Ban**

Dear President Preckwinkle and Members of the Board of Commissioners:

On behalf of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association (IMA) and our nearly 4,000 member companies and facilities across Illinois, I respectfully relay our opposition to the proposed coal tar sealant ban found in substitute ordinance #23-5769. Coal tar sealant is manufactured, distributed, and applied by over 1,000 individuals in Illinois, many of which of those individuals operating in Cook County.

The coal tar sealant industry provides strong, middle class manufacturing jobs in Illinois. Many of the coal tar sealant related jobs in the state are union positions and located directly in Cook County. Any potential ban, even those limited to only one county, not only threatens the jobs of these individuals and the livelihood of the facilities they work for, but could also lead to financial impacts on schools, government agencies and facilities, businesses of every sector and basic consumers looking to seal their driveways.

The men and women working hard to produce coal tar sealant understand that it is a safe and effective product that is the gold standard in the pavement field. A ban of coal tar sealants will decrease the life of asphalt pavements, especially in a state like Illinois where each season brings a variety of weather patterns that can break down asphalt pavements. A ban of coal tar sealants would lead to constant repairs and replacements of asphalt pavements, leading to a negative environmental impact on the community and increased costs. An increase in asphalt replacement, overlays, and total replacements will require more crude oil to manufacture the asphalt, more rock extracted from rock quarries, and more fuel to manufacture asphalt and raw materials and transport those materials.

It must also be stressed that coal tar sealant has not been shown to have a direct negative impact on the environment. Only one dated scientific analysis out of Texas has been used to push a ban on coal tar sealant, even though the analysis is fundamentally flawed. Instead, emphasis should focus on the fact that coal tar sealant has never been classified as a hazardous material by the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). In fact, leading federal regulatory bodies such as the USEPA, OSHA, FDA and

others, have never taken steps to ban coal tar sealant and, under President Obama's Administration, the USEPA lowered its risk assessment on Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) by 7-fold.

Referencing PAHs is important as a heavy focus of the coal tar sealant ban discussions have been on PAHs, despite there being no direct evidence that coal tar sealant leads to an increase in exposure to PAHs by humans. All humans are exposed to PAHs on a daily basis from a variety of sources with no known adverse consequences to human health. Studies have consistently found that traffic-related emissions, not runoff from pavement sealed with refined coal tar-based sealer, are the primary source of all PAHs in the urban environment.

For the reasons described above, I respectfully request that you reject Proposed Substitute Ordinance #23-5769.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Griffith', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Donovan Griffith  
Vice President of Government Affairs

**From:** [Victoria L Cerinich](#)  
**To:** [CookCounty Board \(Secretary to the Board\)](#)  
**Subject:** CC Environment & Sustainability Cmte - Item: 23-5769I Support a Ban on Coal Tar Sealants  
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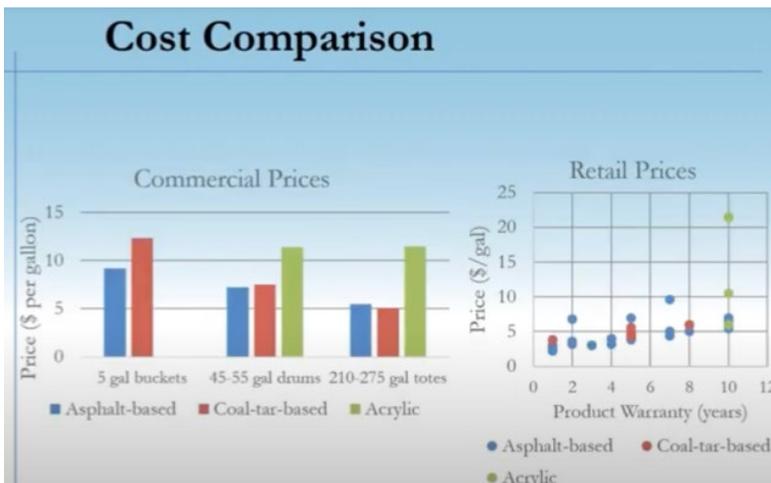
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I apologize for missing the survey form. Please accept my written support for item 23-5769, Coal Tar Sealant Ban. Victoria L Cerinich

I support banning Coal Tar Sealants in Cook County.

Alternatives to Coal Tar based sealants are available and not much different in price or durability.



On September 30, 2016, the American Medical Association submitted a resolution to the U.S. House of Representatives advocating for national legislation to ban the use of pavement

sealcoats that contain polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH); or at least, use sealcoat products that contain low or no PAH, specifically products where the concentration of PAH is less than 1/1000th the concentration in coal-tar sealcoats.

**And published by the U.S. Geological Survey, the Fact sheet number ISSN 2327-6916 (print) or ISSN 2327-6932 (on-line):**

**Human Health Concerns for adults and most critically for children 0-6 years of age**—As coal-tar-based sealcoat ages, it wears into small particles with high levels of PAHs that can be tracked into homes and incorporated into house dust. For people who live adjacent to coal-tar-sealcoated pavement, ingestion of PAH-contaminated house dust and soil results in an elevated potential cancer risk, particularly for young children. Exposure to PAHs, especially early in childhood, has been linked by health professionals to an increased risk of lung, skin, bladder, and respiratory cancers.<sup>2</sup>

Children ingest house dust and soil when they put their hands or objects into their mouth. Much of the estimated excess cancer risk associated with the ingestion of PAH-contaminated soil and house dust is incurred during early childhood. Think of all the day care center parking lots that have parking lots contaminated with the PAHs found in Coal Tar Sealants.

**Aquatic Life in Local Rivers and Lake Michigan** —Runoff from coal-tar-sealcoated pavement, even runoff collected more than 3 months after sealcoat application, is acutely toxic to fathead minnows and water fleas, two species commonly used to assess toxicity to aquatic life. Exposure to even highly diluted runoff from coal-tar-sealcoated pavement can cause DNA damage and impair DNA repair. These findings demonstrate that coal-tar-sealcoat runoff can remain a risk to aquatic life for months after application.

#### **Air-Quality Concerns**

Although unseen, releases of PAHs to the atmosphere (volatilization) from freshly coal-tar-sealed pavement are tens of thousands of times higher than from unsealed pavement.

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“...all I ask is a tall ship and a star to steer her by...”