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Kurowski & Wilson LLC
213 Granite Run Drive
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Attention Patrick DeNardo, PE
Review of South Brandywine Middle School Project

Dear Mr. DeNardo;

In response to your request for a site review of the proposed South Brandywine Middle School project, the plans were reviewed by me and the township emergency management coordinator. Based on that review we are requesting the following information:

1. What is the width of the fire lane from the service area on Access Drive B to the parent drop off area on Access Drive A? This lane needs to be no less than 24 feet wide to accommodate fire apparatus
2. What material will be used to construct the fire lane? The roadbed needs to be able to be support fire apparatus weighing 80,000 pounds.
3. What is the turn radius of the curves on the fire lane? The design needs to allow fire apparatus 43 feet in length to negotiate the fire lane.
4. Will there be any type of access gates or restriction devices to block normal access to this fire lane? We are not requesting these be installed, but if such devices are being contemplated by the school district, they need to be of such a design that allows emergency responders access to the fire lane with no loss of time during an incident. We are strongly discouraging any type device that requires emergency personnel to exit their vehicles in order to gain access to the fire lane.
5. Will there be any parking restrictions installed on Access Drives A & B? Emergency vehicle access to the current school is hindered during events due to vehicles parked along the access road in front of the school, and we would like to see this issue resolved in the new plan.

Once we have this information, we can complete our review and provide you with any additional comments.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, or require any clarification of our request. My phone number is 610 633 7627, and my email is fm47@comcast.net

Thank you,

Denise Miller

Jim Reagan
Township Fire Marshal

Cc: Chris Della Penna, Twp. Engineer
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