

Dear Friends of Cayuga Lake,

We are writing to inform you that CLEAN has a new partner in the fight to protect Cayuga Lake from being further salinized by salt mining. Our Children's Earth Foundation (OCE), is the plaintiff in a pending lawsuit against Cargill for violations of federal environmental laws at Cargill's Cayuga Salt Mine operations at Portland Point. OCE's attorneys, Super Law Group of NYC, sent a Notice of Intent to Sue Cargill and their neighbor Cayuga Crushed Stone on May 1, 2019. Cargill now has 90 days in which it may opt to settle out of court rather than go to trial. A successful settlement or winning the case will result in significant reductions in the noise, salt dust, and brine that are all emanating from Cargill's surface operations at Portland Point, damaging both the lake and the nearby landscape and waterways.

OCE is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit which accomplishes great advocacy and public outreach regarding pollution and its impacts on current and future generations. OCE advocates on behalf of children, who are most vulnerable to pollution, to enable them to breathe clean air and use clean water. OCE also seeks to educate the public about the health problems caused by pollution in their neighborhoods, and to empower affected communities to take action on environmental issues.

OCE's primary objectives and purposes are to promote public awareness of domestic and international human rights issues and environmental impacts through information dissemination, artistic expression, education projects, and private enforcement of environmental protection statutes. In its 20 year history, OCE has brought nearly 100 lawsuits throughout the U.S. and has a strong record of success in reaching settlements and obtaining court orders that protect people and the environment.

OCE already has some members in central New York, but you can help to strengthen their standing in the present suit by becoming a member. OCE's lifetime membership fee is \$25, but we urge you to consider giving more. To join, go to <https://www.ocefoundation.org/cargill-salt>.

Whatever amount you give, please note in the comment box that your donation is to support the case against Cargill. Donations are fully tax-deductible. Click the "Donate" button, and after typing in your information, click the "Submit" button and you are done!

We can't begin to tell you how helpful this is, and how much we truly appreciate this showing of support!

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Clean the Lake.
Protect the Lake.