

#### Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

Recycling Committee Meeting December 7, 2017

AeroAggregates is the first vertically-integrated company in North America to produce ultra-lightweight aggregates from 100% recycled glass.

Manufacturing capabilities include both open and closed cell foamed glass aggregates in a range of densities.

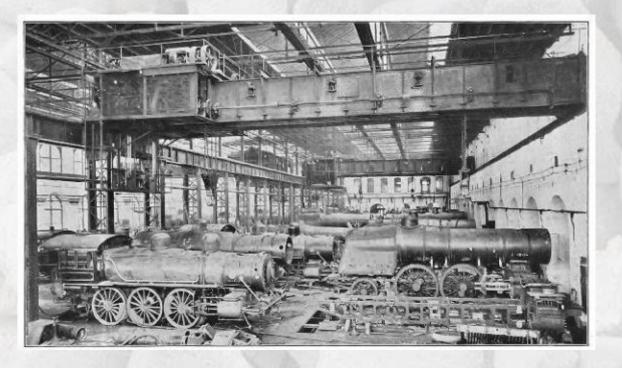
### 5 miles from Philadelphia International Airport I-95 and Route 476



1500 Chester Pike, Eddystone, PA



#### **Baldwin Locomotive Plant**



97,000 sq.ft. building



# What are Ultra-Lightweight Foamed Glass Aggregates (UL-FGA)?

- Ultra Lightweight Aggregate (8-15 pcf dry bulk density)
- 0.4 − 2.4 inch average size
- High Friction Angle
- Totally inert
- 100% Post Consumer Glass
- Good insulator



Foamed Glass
Aggregate (FGA)
Benefits



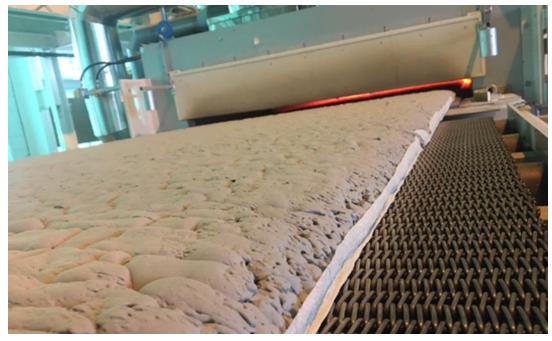


#### Recycling

- 100% curbside recycled glass
- Mixed color cullet diverted from landfill
- Each kiln diverts the equivalent of over 55 million bottles per year







## Foamed Glass Kiln





# Aggregate Creation and Stockpiling

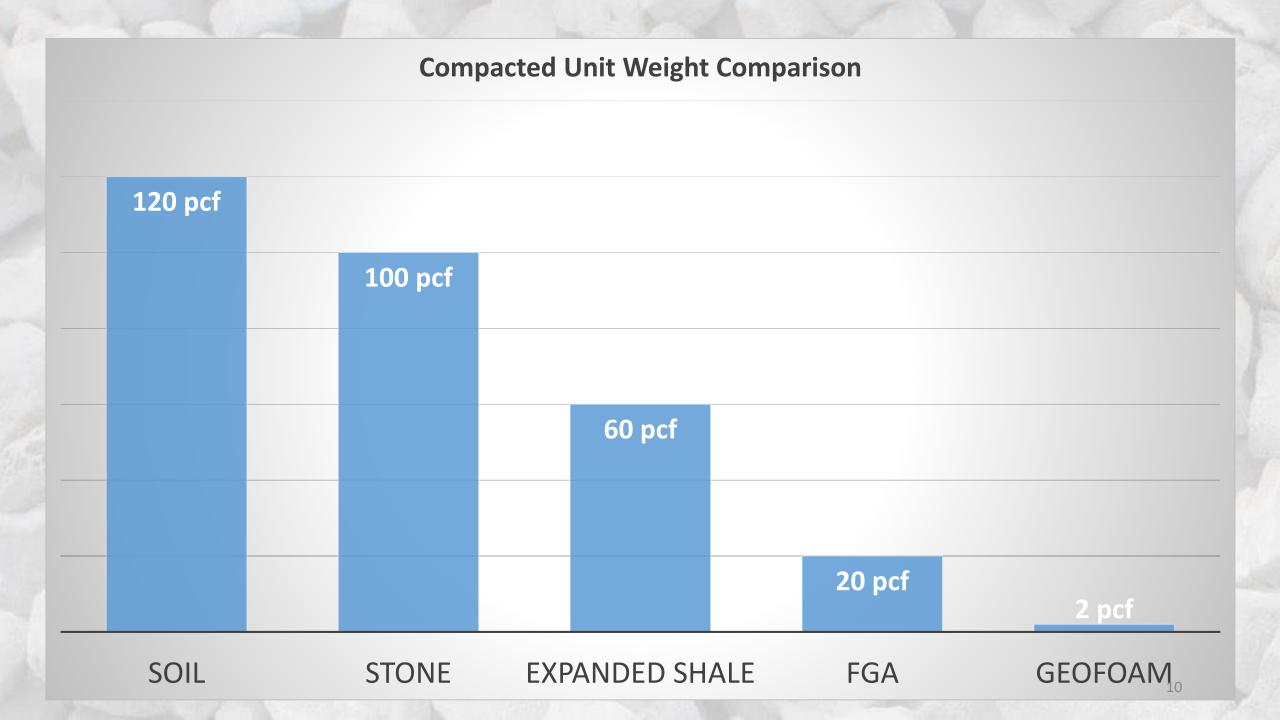
#### **Technical**

- Lowest unit weight of any aggregate
- High shear and compressive strength
- Approved by multiple State DOTs
- 25+ years of experience in Europe
- Infrastructure, commercial and environmental construction applications







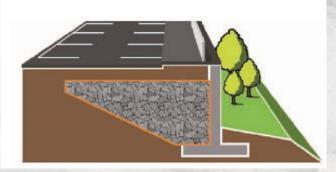


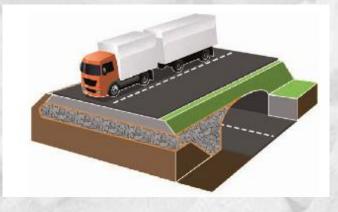
#### **Applications**

- Many uses for lightweight aggregates
  - Embankment fill over soft soils
  - Retaining walls
  - Bridge abutments
  - Reduced lateral load of backfill
  - Lightweight fill over culverts and utilities
  - Under foundation slab insulation and drainage
  - Insulation layer
    - Horizontal or vertical
  - Greenroofs









### Transportation

Highway Embankments and Landslide Repairs





Norwegian Public Road Authority

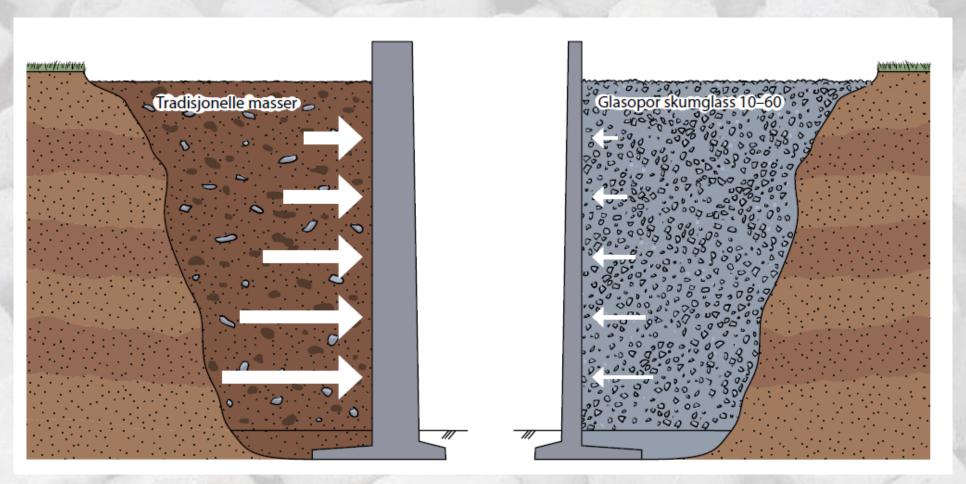
### Approach Fill for Bridge Abutments



Hasopor, Sweden

- Reduces lateral earth pressure
- Reduces settlement at interface

### Lightweight Backfill for Retaining Walls



### Insulation and Lightweight Backfill - Utilities







### **Under Slab**

- Insulation
- Bearing capacity
- Drainage
- Capillary Break

### Green Roofs

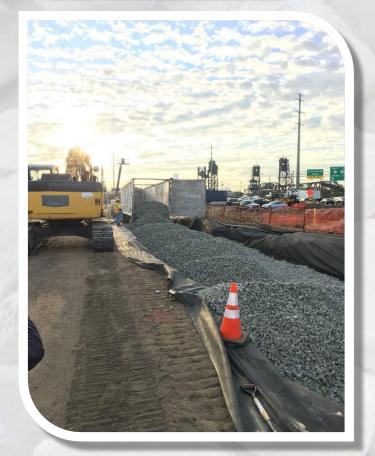




### Current DOT and Agency status

- Statewide approval by MD SHA
- Statewide approval by VDOT SPEL Listed
- 2 PADOT Projects designed with UL-FGA
- 1 NJDOT Project V.E.; 2 others in design
- NYSDOT Completing final testing
- Amtrak and SEPTA Specified on several projects

#### **Economical**



NJDOT - Route 7, Kearny, NJ

- Less expensive than other lightweight alternatives
- Contractors/Owners converting projects to FGA for cost savings
- Less material required in many applications
- Accelerated construction schedule compared to other lightweight options
- No weather restrictions for installation

### Shipping

- Up to 100 CY/trailer
- Reduced carbon footprint
  - 1 trailer of Foamed Glass
  - 7 tri-axial loads of stone







Delivery in Super Sacks
3CY 1,200 lbs. vs. 8,000 lbs.

#### Installation

- Maximum lift thicknesses of 24 inches (0.6 m)
- Compaction is performed with a tracked excavator or dozer 600 1,000 psf (30 50 kPa)
- 2 to 4 passes over the UL-FGA layer





#### **Environmental**



- 50% less CO<sub>2</sub> than other lightweight materials\*
- 50% less energy consumed than other lightweight options\*
- Material 100% inert
- Exempt from environmental oversight
- Aero delivers 8 times more material per truck than traditional aggregates
  - Reduces traffic and CO<sub>2</sub>

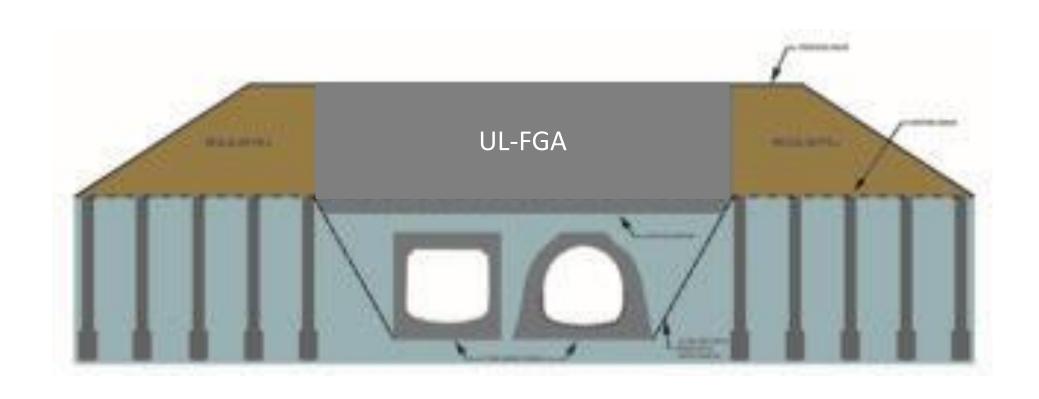
#### **Policy**



PADOT - Philadelphia Navy Yard

- Beneficial re-use of recycled glass
- Lower CO<sub>2</sub> footprint
- Diverts 13,000 tons of glass from landfill per kiln
- Resiliency projects often require lightweight fill
- Container glass collected and returned to same community as new construction material
- State DOT Approvals from PA, NJ, MD and VA

#### South Capitol Street – Washington DC





- Provides a circular economy for recycled glass
- Supports municipal recycling programs
- Provides cost-effective construction material
- Supported by local engineers and DOTs
- Sustainable and environmentally responsible



