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Dear Mr. Gratz:

MAYWOOD AND WAYNE SITES--ANNUAL REPORTS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL FACILITIES AGREEMENTS

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the annual reports for the Maywood and Wayne sites as required by Section XX(A) of the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) for each site. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (615) 576-5724.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan M. Cange".

Susan M. Cange, Site Manager
Former Sites Restoration Division

Enclosures

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE MAYWOOD SITE
FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT REQUIREMENT XX(A)

Reporting Period: 1/1/92 - 12/31/92
Report Date: January 20, 1993

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

DOE contractors have performed several radiological surveys of properties in the vicinity of MISS at the request of property owners. No additional properties have been designated for cleanup based on these surveys.

II. FFA COMPLIANCE

On January 28, EPA was notified that Ms. Susan Cange would be taking a leave of absence, and that Mr. Bill Seay would be designated as the DOE project manager for the Wayne site. This notification was made as required by Section XII(A) of the FFA.

The bi-monthly project managers meeting (via a conference call) was held on February 12 in accordance with Section XIV(E) of the FFA. The only issue identified for the Maywood site was the preparation of a final report for the time-critical removal action conducted at 90 Avenue C in Lodi, New Jersey. CERCLA final report requirements will be met by the post-remedial action report being prepared in support of this interim measure.

EPA was notified on April 27 that Ms. Susan Cange resumed her role as DOE project manager for the Wayne site after a leave of absence. This notification was made as required by Section XII(A) of the FFA.

The bi-monthly project managers meetings (via conference calls) were held on April 16 and June 9 in accordance with Section XIV(E) of the FFA. Support to the Stepan RI trenching effort and comments on the informal draft of the Maywood RI Report were the primary topics of discussion on April 16, while the June 9 meeting focused on the status of CERCLA documents and whether EPA could send some of DOE's RI data to Stepan.

During a conference call on July 27, it was agreed that the bi-monthly project managers meetings, regardless of whether they were conducted earlier than the scheduled time period of every 60 days, would occur no more than six times per calendar year. This agreement does not preclude additional meetings/conference calls.

The bi-monthly project managers meeting (via conference call) was held on August 6 in accordance with Section XIV(E) of the FFA.

The bi-monthly project managers meeting (via conference call) was held on October 8. Primary items of discussion included DOE's plans to collect soil samples from the Maywood Municipal pool

grounds at the request of the Borough health department, DOE drum consolidation effort in Building 76 at MISS, an upcoming tour for local officials, and available radon data for the Maywood site.

The bi-monthly project managers meeting was held in the EPA Region II offices on December 18. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the alternatives currently being evaluated for the cleanup of the Maywood site properties.

III. ON-SITE ACTIVITIES

DOE completed support to the Stepan RI. Specifically, trenching activities were conducted by DOE subcontractors with technical oversight being provided by Stepan.

On March 27, high winds removed a portion of the pile cover at MISS. Air monitoring indicated no release from the pile. An emergency response team of DOE contractors mobilized at the site within a few hours, made temporary repairs, and stabilized the pile by late afternoon. More permanent repairs were completed; and gravel was placed over the cover around the base of the pile as an additional source of ballast.

DOE opened a public information center for the Maywood site on April 13. The location of this office is 43 West Pleasant Avenue in Maywood, New Jersey.

Field sampling activities along Westerly Brook were completed on December 2; this work implemented the FSP addendum approved by EPA on October 1, 1992. Data are expected to be received from the laboratories by late January.

An availability session was held at the DOE public information center in Maywood on December 14, 1992. The focus of this session was to inform the public of the RI/FS-EIS process and to discuss the schedule for issuing documents for public review. On December 15, a site tour was conducted for members of local emergency response groups.

IV. ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

An informal draft of the Maywood Remedial Investigation Report was issued to EPA on February 3, 1992 and comments on the informal draft of the Maywood RI Report were received from EPA on April 16. A meeting was held in the EPA offices to discuss these comments and the formal draft was submitted to EPA on June 25. The formal draft of the RI Report was submitted to EPA on June 25 with comments being returned to DOE on August 21. The draft final of the RI report was issued to EPA on October 20; comments were returned on November 24; and the document was finalized on December 17, 1992.

The informal draft of the Baseline Risk Assessment was issued to EPA on May 22; comments were received from EPA on July 9. Comments on the informal draft of the Baseline Risk Assessment were received

from EPA on July 9. The formal draft of this document was issued to EPA on September 28; comments were returned on November 30, 1992.

DOE is completing post-remedial action report for the time-critical removal action conducted at 90 Avenue C in Lodi, New Jersey. This document will also serve as the final report as required by CERCLA.

The Feasibility Study-Environmental Impact Statement/Proposed Plan was issued for EPA review as an informal draft on July 31; comments were received from EPA on September 8. The formal draft of these documents were issued to EPA on November 30, 1992.

On August 24, an addendum to the FSP for Westerly Brook was issued to EPA; the document was approved by EPA on October 1.

On September 30, an addendum to the FSP to address groundwater contamination was issued to EPA for review; EPA provided comments on this document on November 2, 1992, and subsequently approved it on December 15, 1992.

V. PLANNED SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

As a part of the RI/FS-EIS process, DOE is implementing a major community relations action plan for the Maywood site. In anticipation of releasing the RI/FS-EIS reports and the proposed plan to the public in the summer of 1993, we are holding monthly availability sessions, issuing fact sheets, and conducting site tours for the community.

We are developing schedules for implementing the remedial investigation field work associated with the groundwater FSP addendum. Initial attempts to obtain access to some of the properties where critical wells are to be located have indicated that work may be delayed. DOE will keep EPA apprised of issues related to obtaining access to private properties and our ability to complete this work.

VI. ISSUES/RESOLUTIONS

To date, a list of state ARARs has not been provided by NJDEPE. The original request for this list was made in June 1991; DOE will continue to work with NJDEPE to obtain this list. In the meantime, DOE has prepared a list of state ARARs.

DOE and EPA Region II resolved an issue regarding data validation on May 20. Region II, after discussions with DOE which were initiated in January, revised their data validation procedures. The primary issue related to the rejection of data based on a specified recovery for the CRDL standard when the CLP-SOW does not require the laboratory to meet a specified recovery for this standard.