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Ms. Carol Bienick 26 Long Valley Road Lodi, New Jersey 07644

Dear Ms. Bienick:

MAYWOOD SITE - MEETINGS WITH REAL ESTATE AGENTS

This letter is being written in response to a number of questions that you asked concerning interactions that DOE has had in the past with real estate agents and brokers in the vicinity of the Maywood site. I understand your desire to gather all possible information about meetings that DOE has had with agents in the Bergen County area, but I'm afraid a lot of details are not available. However, I can give you some generalities about meetings in the past.

Since I have been the Site Manager for the Maywood site, DOE representatives have attended three formal meetings with real estate agents in your area. In addition, there have been numerous informal interactions with real estate agents who have had specific questions and/or concerns about DOE activities at the site. Unfortunately, these meetings are not well documented for a variety of reasons (e.g., the nature of the interaction may not have warranted documentation).

The most recent meeting that DOE representatives attended took place during the winter of 1994 where we were invited by the local Board of Realtors to attend one of their regularly scheduled meetings. DOE representatives made a presentation on the Maywood site including the site's history, the nature and extent of contamination, and DOE plans for cleanup. We also talked about the type of information available at the Maywood Public Information Center.

On another occasion, Lloyd Bartels, a locally active realtor, set up a meeting for interested real estate colleagues at the Public Information Center in Maywood. We do not have documentation for the exact date but to the best of my knowledge the meeting took place sometime in the later half of 1992. At this meeting we talked primarily about the Public Information Center and the types of information that is available to help realtors in the area (e.g., maps of the properties designated for cleanup, etc.). The talk we gave was general in nature and did not apply to any one property in particular.

The first meeting that I attended with realtors took place during the fall/winter of 1991 and was held at the Maywood Borough Hall. I believe this meeting was set up by either a councilman or by a representative of the Maywood Board of Health. Again, we talked about generalities of the site including its history, nature and extent of contamination, etc.

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Because these meetings were all fairly informal in nature and because they were arranged/sponsored by parties other than DOE, we do not have a record of attendees. Also, to the best of my knowledge, these meetings were not formally publicized in area newspapers.

In response to your questions about the Public Information Center, the office opened in April 1992. As you know, a great amount of information about our work in your area is available for the public at the local information office. Fact sheets, videos, posters, reports pertaining to our vicinity properties, and the publicly available administrative record for the project can be found there. The office serves as a resource for members of the community who wish to keep up with the general progress at the site or to access specific information about our work.

I hope this information is helpful. I trust that you and your family are doing well, and I look forward to seeing you when I am in New Jersey. Please feel free to call me if you would like to talk more about DOE's work at the Maywood site. As you know, we start work on cleaning up residential properties this fall. My number in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, is (615) 576-5724.

Sincerely,

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