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May 22, 1995

Honorable John A. Steuert, Jr.  
Mayor, Borough of Maywood  
459 Maywood Avenue  
Maywood, New Jersey 07607

Dear Mayor Steuert:

### MAYWOOD SITE - RESPONSE TO LETTER DATED JANUARY 24, 1995, CONCERNING VICINITY PROPERTY REMEDIAL ACTION

Thank you for communicating the views and proposals of the Borough of Maywood concerning the Department of Energy's (DOE) cleanup of residential vicinity properties and disposal of soil generated during the work.

Our last proposal included an expectation that soil brought to the Maywood Interim Storage Site (MISS) for loading and shipment out of state would remain at the MISS for a maximum of two weeks. The Borough's concern that our "expectation" of two weeks or less may turn into a reality of more than two weeks is certainly appreciated. We know the Borough must seek the path of its best interest while working with DOE to see that remedial work is accomplished most efficiently and economically at the Maywood Site.

I see from your January 24 letter that the Borough recognizes that some work delays are unforeseen and unavoidable, such as inconsistent delivery of rail cars to the MISS. We had said two weeks should be the maximum time that soil may have to stay at the loading site awaiting cars. You communicated that the Borough fears this could create a semi-permanent storage pile to which excavated material would continue to be added if rail car delivery is sporadic.

Kindly consider another alternative that I believe can accommodate the interests of the Borough and the needs of DOE, overlapping the two in cooperation.

DOE can guarantee that no more than approximately 1,000 cubic yards of soil excavated during the cleanup of vicinity properties will be at the MISS at any one time.

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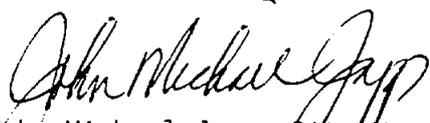
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Furthermore, we will guarantee that all of the soil generated during the cleanup of Lodi properties will be off the MISS property and shipped out of state by the end of the construction season. In other words, if we reach the point where 1,000 cubic yards of excavated soil is at the MISS loading area and we can't get rail cars for reasons beyond our control, we will stop excavation at the Lodi vicinity properties and bring no more soil to the MISS until we get the rail cars and begin shipping the original 1,000 cubic yards. And by mid-November or so, which is usually the end of our construction season due to weather, we will have all of that season's soil shipped for disposal, leaving none for removal the next year. These measures ensure that no semi-permanent storage pile is created during or at the end of our work season. They also allow DOE to come as close as possible to meeting the Borough's desire that material from the vicinity property cleanups be loaded directly into railroad cars, as voiced in the January 24 letter from Mr. Rupp. These measures, I believe, are measures that can work for both of us.

Thank you for communicating the Borough's spirit of cooperation through open dialogue covering the most feasible alternatives for our work. We want to do the best job possible while working with the Borough, and we know that the Borough wants the job done and done correctly.

I enjoyed meeting you at the National Summit meeting in Washington, D. C. I look forward to hearing your thoughts about this newest proposal and hope the Borough is favorable to it. If you have any questions, please call me at (615) 241-6344.

Sincerely,

  
John Michael Japp, Site Manager  
Former Sites Restoration Division

cc: Mr. Mark Guarino, Bergen County Health Department  
Honorable Philip V. Toronto, Mayor of Lodi  
Mr. William F. Rupp, Attorney, Borough of Maywood  
Honorable Richard Locascio, Mayor of Rochelle Park