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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

The purpose of this letter is to respond to your letter of January 24, 1995, regarding drums of investigation-derived waste stored at several properties in Maywood. This waste was generated by CH2M Hill during the Stepan remedial investigation effort being conducted under an administrative order of consent with EPA Region II.

The Department of Energy wants to work with the borough in the best interest of all parties involved while adhering to all applicable regulations and guidelines.

I am attempting to obtain additional information about the contents of these drums and the contaminants present in the waste. To date, I have been unsuccessful in obtaining this information. However, based on conversations with EPA Region II and the Bergen County Health Department, we have been made aware that there are in excess of 300 drums of waste located at several commercial properties.

This is of concern to DOE, because we may not have the storage capacity at MISS for this many drums of waste. In addition, DOE has very specific responsibilities for certain types of waste under our cleanup efforts at the Maywood site and under the terms of the Federal Facility Agreement with EPA Region II. Specifically, if these drums contain no radioactivity above cleanup guidelines, DOE has no authority to accept or manage them or their contents. We must ensure that taxpayer dollars are spent on actions or activities that fall within DOE's responsibilities for the overall cleanup of the Maywood site.

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Again, DOE is willing to assist the Borough of Maywood in resolving this issue, and we will continue to work with EPA, Stepan, and CH2M Hill to determine what actions are appropriate for DOE to take. I hope to be back in touch with you soon with additional information. If you have any questions, please call me at (615) 576-9634.

Sincerely,



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Former Sites Restoration Division

cc: Ms. Angela Carpenter, USEPA Region II
Mr. Nick Marton, NJDEP
Mr. John O'Brien, Stepan Company
Mr. Mark Guarino, Bergen County Health Department
Mr. Jim Taradash, Bergen County Health Department