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William P. Schuber
County Executive

January 23, 1995

Mr. David Adler, Site Manager
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Re: John F. Kennedy Park
Borough of Lodi

Dear Mr. Adler:

I write to you on behalf of the Borough of Lodi as I transmit to you a copy of correspondence I received from the Honorable Philip V. Toronto, Mayor, dated January 17, 1995, concerning the above mention matter.

Kindly review the enclosed letter and advise me if the U.S. Department of Energy is able accommodate the Borough's wishes. My assistant, Adam Strobel, is available should you have any questions concerning this matter.

Thank you for your anticipated assistance and I look forward to receiving your response.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Schuber", written over a horizontal line.

William "Pat" Schuber
Bergen County Executive

WPS/as
enclosure

cc: Hon. Philip V. Toronto



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January 17, 1995

Mr. William "Pat" Schuber
County Executive
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Re: John F. Kennedy Park
Borough of Lodi

Dear County Executive Schuber:

The Borough of Lodi is in the process of upgrading John F. Kennedy (JFK) Park with a combined grant/loan from the New Jersey Green Acres program. Unfortunately, this site has low level thorium contamination. It is speculated that this contamination was carried downstream and developed at the site quite some time ago. The site is scheduled to be cleaned of the thorium contamination as part of the Department of Energy's (DOE) cleanup.

The Borough of Lodi is going to proceed with the park renovation, commencing in January of this year. Due to the contamination, we will encounter additional costs which are not due to the Borough of Lodi. These costs include, but are not limited to, mandatory safety training of the contractor's personnel and additional engineering services during construction. Additionally, we have been informed by the DOE, through their consultant Bechtel National, Inc., that any contamination which we encounter which must be removed from the site, will be the responsibility of the Borough of Lodi. If we wait to begin construction on the site until the thorium cleanup is completed, there will be no cost to the Borough of Lodi. As you are aware, however, this cleanup has been in progress for over thirteen (13) years and the Borough wishes to proceed with the development of JFK Park now.

Accordingly, the Borough respectfully requests the following:

- (1) Any additional costs for construction of JFK Park, due solely to the contamination, should be borne by the Federal Government.

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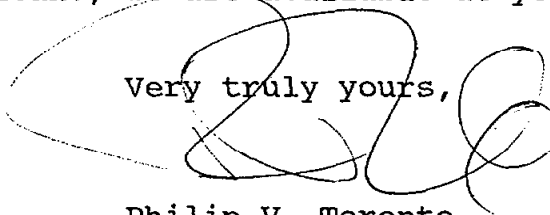
- (2) If any contaminated soil is found during the construction and must be removed, there should be no cost to the Borough.
- (3) The Federal Government should provide consulting relative to the thorium issue at no cost to the Borough.

Please bear in mind that Lodi has suffered tremendously due to the thorium contamination. Specifically, we have greatly reduced the tax assessment on numerous residential properties due to the contamination. Clearly, Lodi is the victim of this contamination and should not be responsible for remediation.

We would appreciate your immediate attention to this matter as we anticipate working in the thorium contaminated area within the next sixty (60) to ninety (90) days.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter. Should you wish to meet with representatives of the Borough and its engineering consultant, we are available at your convenience.

Very truly yours,


Philip V. Toronto
MAYOR OF LODI