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**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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Management Action Committee (MAC) meeting
April 4, 2001
Centredale Manor Restoration Project
North Providence , Rhode Island

Attendees:

Dick Boynton, EPA
Anna Krasko, EPA
Sarah Martino, RIDEM
Ian Lang, Senator Chafee's Office
Cheryl Bozzi, Mayor Mollis's Office
Eugenia Marks, Audubon Society
Cornell Rosiu, EPA

Technical Updates:

Anna and Dick Boynton went over the requirements and schedule of deliverables of the UAO that was issued to the Parties on March 26.

Access to residential properties ; PRP contractor qualifications and approval and oversight of the work was discussed with the MAC members.

Cornell Rosiu, discussed the preliminary data and findings of the work that he and the contractors had done with regard to tree swallow eggs, diet and nestlings in the Greystone Pond and Allendale Pond areas. The general preliminary findings are that: both the eggs , nestlings, and diet of insects in the Allendale Pond group had 1 to 2 orders of magnitude greater concentration of PCBs or 2,3,7,8 TCDD compared to the eggs, nestlings and diet of insects in the Greystone Pond area.. Also less than 50% of the eggs layed, hatched in the nest boxes on Allendale Pond compared to those of Greystone Pond. The dioxin concentrations in the eggs and nestlings from the Allendale Pond area were the highest observed in any study of this type in the US.

Cornell indicated that this information could be in a form (validated) for release within the next several weeks. There was some discussion about how to explain the data and information to the public to avoid concern that human health is at risk because of the tree swallow contamination. The MAC will, as always, be able to, review and comment on any releases that EPA may make to the public on this issue.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for May, 2, 2001 at 1:00 pm in the North Providence Town Hall.