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OFFICE OF
SOLID WASTE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

MEMORANDUM



SDMS DocID 000226250

SUBJECT: New Bedford Harbor Referral
FROM: Gene A. Lucero, Director *Gene A. Lucero*
Office of Waste Programs Enforcement
TO: Courtney M. Price
Assistant Administrator for Enforcement
and Compliance Monitoring

The Office of Waste Programs Enforcement has reviewed the endangerment assessment and the data in our files related to the subject referral. On the basis of this information, I concur in the determination that the release of hazardous substances and hazardous wastes from this site may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health and welfare and to the environment. I have attached the Regional Administrator's finding of endangerment and the endangerment assessment prepared by his staff.

My office has assembled cost documentation for CERCLA costs through December 31, 1983 for this site. Costs documented in our files are equal to \$924,559 with approximately \$69,000 in additional cost documents not yet received. Since the remedial investigation is ongoing, costs occur on a daily basis. My staff will provide periodic updates of documentation. I have attached a copy of our cost summary and will forward all documents when they are completed and photocopied.

I believe that the referral of this case to the Department of Justice is necessary to protect public health and welfare pursuant to CERCLA § 106 and RCRA § 7003. I also believe that the referral of our present and future costs is appropriate pursuant to CERCLA § 107. I therefore concur with the referral of this case to the Department of Justice for expedited filing.

Attachment

cc: Michael Deland, Region I
Stephen Ramsey, DOJ
Ralph Childs, DOJ

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