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October 2, 1995

Honorable Rosemary S. Tierney
Mayor, City of New Bedford
133 Williams Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

OFFICE OF THE
REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Mayor  Tierney:

Thank you for your letter of September 20, 1995, and for the copy of your letter to State Representative Robert Koczera relative to the desirability of reaching consensus on the difficult issues involving the ongoing New Bedford Harbor clean-up. I am enclosing a copy of my reply to Rep. Koczera's September 12, 1995, letter to me concerning the confined disposal facilities and potential treatment alternatives.

I appreciate very much your acknowledgement and support of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) efforts to work cooperatively with local officials and with the public on the New Bedford Harbor plan. Your commitment and that of your Administration to working with us is truly important as we strive to proceed in a timely manner on this project which is so vital to the New Bedford area.

Also highly valued is your willingness to serve on Administrator Carol Browner's Local Government Advisory Committee. As an experienced municipal chief executive you provide meaningful input and assistance to EPA's endeavor to strengthen our relationship with local government. EPA-Region I, New England is always willing to meet with you, your staff and your colleagues in government regarding New Bedford Harbor or any other environmental issue that concerns your community.

Thank you for your interest in this matter. If you need additional information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me or Al Frezza in the Office of Government Relations at (617) 565-3162.

Sincerely,



John P. DeVillars
Regional Administrator

Enclosure