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The Honorable Mayor Rosemary S. Tierney
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Dear Mayor Tierney:

I write in response to your recent correspondence in which you indicate that you were *informed* that I wrote to John DeVillars, Regional Administrator for the EPA, opposing the establishment of confined disposal facilities along the Acushnet River. Your source for this information obviously took my written comments out of context for I have not formally expressed my opposition nor approval for the current plan in this particular remedial phase of the clean-up of the harbor.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the letter I sent to John DeVillars at the EPA. Upon reading it, it will be clear to you that *I never expressed my opposition* to the current proposed remedial plan. Rather, I expressed my *concern* on behalf of the constituents that have contacted me questioning EPA's proposed plan calling for long-term storage of untreated PCB-contaminated sediments in confined disposal facilities located along the Acushnet River. Therefore, I take exception to your letter characterizing me as one who is in opposition to the plan. Nonetheless, I believe that the concerns I raised in the letter to Mr. DeVillars are important to the long-term economic and environmental impact on the City of New Bedford.

We are in agreement that the development of the harbor in the City of New Bedford is critical to the future economic recovery of the City and the region as a whole. I welcome the opportunity to work with you and your office on any matter that affects the City and the residents of the 13th Bristol District. However, I respectfully request that, in the future, if any questions regarding my position on a particular issue is in doubt, you contact me personally so that this type of error can be avoided. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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