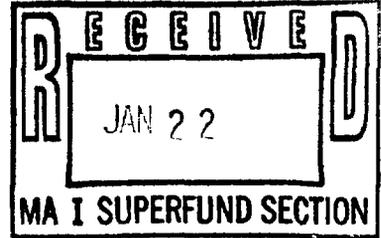


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Mr. Dickerson

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Re: **Comment on New Bedford Harbor Clean Up Plan**

Dear Mr. Dickerson:

This is to confirm our phone conversation regarding the proposed cleanup plan for the New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site. As an abutter to the site, we appreciate the opportunity to comment.

Our only concern, at this time, is the potential for the formation of odors during the dredging operation and the depositing in the northern most Confined Disposal Facility (CDF). It is possible that odors could adsorb onto our clean rented textile products processed at our 20 Howard Avenue facility. Experience has shown that certain odors can be adsorbed by clean textiles. Any odors on, for instance, clean uniforms provided to our customers could have a significant negative impact on our business.

The CDF south of the Aerovox property is several hundred feet from our plant and probably will not be a factor. However, when the harbor is dredged literally feet from our facility a problem may occur. Our plant air flow and dryer requirements produce a negative pressure that draws air from the outside. If odors are produced while we are operating the risk of product contamination is a possibility. You did indicate that the dredging operation could be coordinated with our operating schedule to minimize any potential adverse impact.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide these comments.

Very truly yours,

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