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Mr. Gerald Sotolongo
Environmental Protection Agency
JFK Building
Boston, MA

Dear Mr. Sotolongo:

As Chairman of the Special Commission on Hazardous Waste, I have received numerous inquiries relative to environmental conditions at the dump in Acushnet, Massachusetts.

It has been reported to me that various wastes and materials are being placed at the dump haphazardly and may be endangering the public health. I am particularly concerned about these potential dumping violations because of the proximity of the Acushnet River.

Because of my strong concern for the public health and safety, and in view of the fact that the citizens inquiries appear to be based on reasonable information, I am urging your office to investigate the complaints. The serious implications that arise from improper waste disposal merit the close scrutiny of environmental agencies and, if necessary, their active intervention.

Your prompt investigation of the dump in Acushnet would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Roger R. Goyette
State Representative