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Re: New Bedford Harbor RI/FS

Gentlemen:

We are enclosing a copy of the Addendum to the Draft Feasibility Study of Remedial Action Alternatives for the Acushnet River Estuary. This Addendum contains additional discussions of three alternatives: Dredging with Disposal into In-harbor Subsurface Cells (the "pineapple upside-down cake" alternative); Incineration of PCB-Contaminated Sediments; and Disposal at an Existing, Out-of-State Landfill.

In response to Paul Galvani's letter to me of September 5, EPA is not willing to extend the consent period until January 26. The Agency has, however, postponed both the original deadline of September 28 and the public meeting scheduled for September 20. The new dates are still being considered. The present intent is to close comments by November first; although the Superfund program has not yet officially established that date, I do not believe they will go beyond it. However, the Agency is considering Mr. Galvani's letter. I expect that a final decision will be made shortly, but in the interim, please feel free to transmit any further comments on this issue to me, either by mail or telephone, at (617) 223-0400.

Yours sincerely,

Charlie Bering

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