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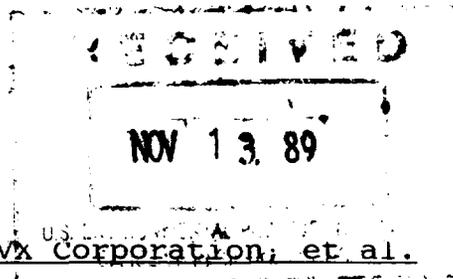
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Re: United States, et al. v. AVX Corporation, et al.

Dear Mr. Bering:

This letter is written on behalf of Aerovox Incorporated and the other defendants in the New Bedford Harbor litigation. As you know, we all requested an extension of time to submit comments on the Hot Spot Feasibility Study beyond the extension that actually was granted. In addition, as we asserted repeatedly and specifically, the EPA has failed to include in the Administrative Record many documents and much information upon which it apparently has relied in generating the Feasibility Study. It also has failed to furnish many documents to the defendants, in spite of repeated requests therefor.

The result of the foregoing is that the defendants have been deprived of a reasonable opportunity to submit comments to the EPA with respect to the Hot Spot Feasibility Study. Accordingly, we are not bound by the time limitation the EPA imposed and reserve the right to file additional comments, in due course, including after dissemination by the EPA of all relevant material.

Very truly yours,

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