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March 14, 1985

Craig MacDonnell  
Nutter, McClennen and Fish  
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Dear Mr. MacDonnell:

This is to inform you that copies of all comments received from the public and other agencies on the draft Feasibility Study for the Acushnet River Estuary have been sent to EPA's Region I's Library to be made available for public review. I am enclosing a copy of a letter from Metcalf and Eddy describing the computer software used in its New Bedford data management project, to supplement earlier responses to your inquiries concerning this information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles Bering".

Charles Bering

cc: John Quarles  
Geoff Bates  
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Mr. Charles Bering, Esq.  
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Dear Mr. Bering:

In response to the request which you forwarded to us for all of the computer programs and applications used in analyzing and manipulating the Acushnet Estuary PCB data:

Almost all of the data analyses and summaries, (e.g. grouping, sorting, tabulating and ad hoc querying), as well as the basic data storage and retrieval, were done with Digital Equipment Corporation's data base management program, DATATRIEVE-11. Simple statistics (regressions and standard deviations) were calculated with the BMDP statistical software developed at UCLA. The color graphics of the data were prepared using European Software Contractors A/S UNIRAS subroutines.

All of the software listed above are commercially licensed packages, thus we are unable to provide copies of the programs. They are, however, commercially available for purchase. The programming which incorporated the UNIRAS subroutines for generating color plots was developed at Avco Computer Services, and is proprietary.

It was my understanding from my telephone conversation on October 30, 1984 with Mr. Andy Dasilva of Ropes & Gray, that his clients already have DATATRIEVE. If this is the case, they should be able to utilize it and almost any standard statistical software to duplicate our analyses of the data base.

I hope this letter adequately addresses the request made to you. If you have any questions, or we can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact us.

Very truly yours,

*Lisa D. Eggleston*

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