

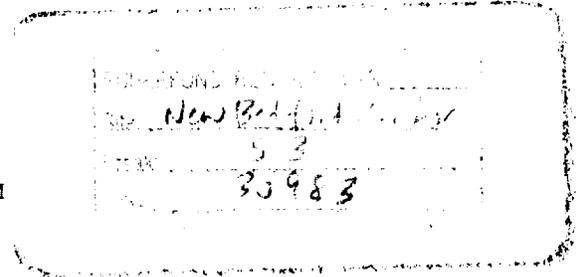


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> Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2002 5:10 PM
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> Cc: 'Dickerson.Dave@EPA.GOV'
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> Please accept these comments with regard to the ESD on the New Harbor
> Superfund Cleanup.

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> I am in support of proceeding with off-site disposal for CDF D as the
> preferred approach for the harbor cleanup. I believe this will provide
> the benefit of allowing the cleanup to begin sooner in that the full
> budget needs for constructing a CDF will not be necessary. This is
> critical since the damage fund from the responsible parties is not
> sufficient to complete the full cleanup. The availability of national
> cleanup funds being problematic, makes this therefore an even more
> attractive approach in that cleanup (and the immediate) beneficial impacts
> to the environment can begin sooner.

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> I would suggest that no clear preference be given to the transportation
> method for removing the materials offsite. Whether by rail or road, I
> believe the competitiveness in receiving bids will be better maintained by
> not mandating a particular transportation mode.

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> Thank you for your attention to these comments.

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> William Straus
> Massachusetts State Representative

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