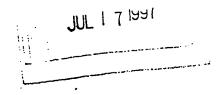


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St. Louis County Department of Health ATTN: Rick Cavanagh 111 S. Meramec Avenue Clayton, MO 63105

Dear Mr. Cavanagh:

Thank you for including St. Louis County Water Company in the meeting of July 10, 1997, regarding the remediation of the FUSRAP sites in St. Louis County. It is good news that the Pepartment of Energy is ready to begin remediation actions, based on the recommendations of the former Side Remediation Task Force.

I was pleased to hear the thoughts of the new Project Manager, Steve McCracken who intends to begin remediation work with available monies in the SLAPS site, as well as in the "vicinity properties." I am concerned, however, that the Department of Energy, in conjunction with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the St. Louis County Department of Health, have made certain assumptions regarding clean-up parameters, which deviate from the recommendations of the FUSRAP task force. I believe that the decision to build a new rail spur in the SLAPS site without completing the cleanup of the SLAPS site, as well as the proposal to use slightly contaminated dirt as fill material in the right of way and adjacent land along McDonnell Douglas Boulevard, are both deviating from the desires of the task force. These and other decisions, in my opinion, should be conclusions that result from consultation with the appropriate Citizens Advisory Group, as well as with agency personnel. Further, I believe that the various agencies should include citizens and business advisory personnel in the review of innovative technologies and ground water transport studies as opposed to making decisions in these areas with no outside input.

While I strongly agree with your desire to begin intermediate activities as soon as possible, I believe that recent actions by the various concerned agencies are tending to reduce the confidence that the initial Advisory Group felt last fall toward the Department of Energy, when it promised to carry out their recommendations.

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I look forward to the resolution of these issues at the next Advisory Board Meeting.

Sincerely,

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