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Alan J. Steinberg Region 2 Administrator EPA   June 28, 2006

Dear Sir:

    The Ashford Town Board is very pleased with the recent report made by the EPA Administrator of Region 2. We agree with his quote, " It is clear to us at EPA that we need a clear vision for a preferred alternative for the draft EIS and that vision is dictated by certain factors that appear inescapable". His reference to RCRA, north plateau, waste left on non-federal lands and the oversight of the south plateau, is just part of what we feel is totally federal government responsibility. We agree that the four tanks in the north plateau must be removed and that a new Demonstration Project be started, one that will include removal of all contaminated waste materials at the site. We agree that this site is unique from other sites throughout the country. Therefore, we believe that our site should receive special considerations. Somewhere, someday, a demonstration of removing tanks will have to be done. Why not do it at the site that as of this date has proven very successful with its clean up, a demonstration project that has produced so much to all for future clean up operations?

    We agree with the complete report but feel that it may not go far enough. We encourage that a strong effort be put toward the passing of the proposed new Remediation Act into law and that immediately the EPA move on the Pilot Demonstrations needed for total clean up of the West Valley site. Lets prove to the world that we can do it.

                           Sincerely,

                           William T. King
                           Supervisor

Cc: Senator Schumer
      Senator Clinton
      Congressman Kuhl