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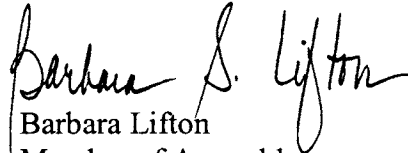
I understand that you are a resident living in the area of the Emerson Power Transmission (EPT) environmental clean up site. I wanted to contact you to let you know what has transpired since City Council Member, Pam Mackesey, gave me a copy of the letter signed by you and your fellow residents requesting action and answers from the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). I understand that Ms. Mary Jane Peachey, Regional Engineer, will be responding in writing to all of you in the next few days.

In order to effectively address the community concerns, I am trying to bring all of the parties together to gain a complete understanding of this situation with the latest data and information available. I have contacted the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) in Syracuse and requested a meeting between Ms. Peachey, Regional Engineer, Mr. Carl Cuipello, Regional Geologist and Project Engineer, and local residents. Mr. Derrick Chase, Environmental Engineer at EPT has also asked to be part of that meeting.

I have spoken with Mr. Chase and he asked that we postpone a meeting until the data obtained from this week's sampling can be analyzed, so that the most up-to-date data can be provided to you at the meeting. That seems reasonable to me, except the analysis of that data will take four to six weeks to complete. However, if your group wants a meeting before this data is analyzed, please let Ms. Mackesey know and I will make the arrangements.

Thank you all for your patience and understanding. I will contact you with meeting, and any other relevant information through Ms. Mackesey's list serve.

Sincerely,


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