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Attention: Mr Kurt Stoddard, Site Manager

Re: Combe Fill South Landfill

Gentlemen:

Please find transmitted here with: Summary letter restating comments concerning Alternatives to be detailed in Task 5.

Relay any comments to the undersigned ASAP since LMS is completing their work in the very near future.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact the undersigned at (609) 984-2990.

Very truly yours,

Edgar G. Kaup, P.E. Site Manager, BSM

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# VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

15 APR 1986

Mr. Edgar Kaup NJ Department of Environmental Protection Division of Waste Management Hazardous Site Mitigation Administration 428 East State Street Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Re: Clarification of Work to be Conducted in Task 5
Combe Fill South Landfill RI/FS

Dear Mr. Kaup:

This letter summarizes my understanding of the work to be conducted on Task 5 (Evaluation of Alternatives) based on your correspondence of 9 April 1986 on this issue and several telephone conversations we subsequently had clarifying general points of your letter.

Table 1 attached summarizes each alternative as originally listed in Task 3, wherein preliminary alternatives were screened, and describes how each alternative or a specific technology, will be analyzed in Task 5. If my understanding is incorrect, please call me as soon as possible.

We have begun the analyses of alternatives as requested. Based on our schedule, as outlined in our March 1986 progress letter, the Draft Feasibility Study Report which includes the work in Task 5 will be completed around 16 to 23 May 1986.

Very truly yours,

Ruth M. Maikish

Senior Project Manager

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#### TABLE 1

#### ANALYSES OF ALTERNATIVES IN TASK 5 COMBE FILL SOUTH LANDFILL

### Alternative or Technology

- 1. No action
- Off-site disposal at RCRA approved facility
  - a. Off-site RCRA Land-
  - b. New RCRA Landfill
- 3. Attain applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements
  - Cap, Trench and Treat
  - b. Cap, Trench, Deep Pump and Treat
  - c. Cap, Shallow and Deep Pump and Treat

4. Exceed applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements

# Analyses To Be Done

Detailed analysis of alternative in Task 5 with technologies as original, listed in Task 3 and referenced in NJDEP correspondence of April 1986.

As part of the introduction to the detailed analyses of alternatives, these two alternatives will be discussed and eliminated from further consideration. order to meet NCP objectives, the costs of of 2000 2b will be carried forward, for comparison only, with those of the alternatives to be analyzed in detail.

Each of the alternatives in this category will be analyzed in detail using those components described in your letter of 9 April, except that alternative 3c will use a non-membrane cap as originally pro- question posed in Task 3. As directed by the discussion NJDEP, on-site pretreatment with off site?

2. NJDEP, on-site pretreatment with off-site? final treatment at a POTW will not be) of the evaluated. Alternate water evaluated. Alternate water supply will be  $\gamma$ generically described with a reference 3. that a conceptual design of this technology is underway as a separate "fast- track" effort. This

track" effort. This separate study will define the service area for this new water supply and may not merely be limited to Various the service area defined in your correspondence of 9 April 1986.

This alternative will be carried forward for detailed analysis in Task 5 using the components as described in your correspondence of 9 April 1986 except that the cap will be only a multi-layered clay cap without a membrane and that the alternative will include on-site treatment with disposal to the Black River as originally proposed in Task 3. The use and implications of a membrane and its impracticality for the site will be described in relation

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### TABLE 1 (continued)

# Alternative or Technology

- 5. Achieve same but not all applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements.
  - a. Cap, Circumferential Barrier, Short-Term Pump and Treat in Groundwater Flow Path No. 6
  - b. Clayless cap
  - c. Cap only

### Analyses To Be Done

This alternative, as described in your letter of 9 April 1986, will be carried forward for detailed analysis in Task 5 except that the short-term pump-treat-discharge will be eliminated and be replaced with the fast-track action of supplying alternate municipal water.

This technology, as a substitute for a clay cap in alternative 3a, will be car ried forward for detailed analyses. In addition, the implications of substitute materials for clay will be described.

This alternative will be eliminated from detailed analysis and described only in the introduction to this evaluation. A rationale for its elimination will be provided.