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From: Douglas Fischer
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EPA Region 2

Re: NY State Data re: Hudson River Damage Assessment Floodplain Soil and Biota Screening

Today I spoke to David Keehn (Attorney, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation) about the Hudson River Damage Assessment Floodplain Soil and Biota Screening data that David gave to me (on CD-ROM) immediately prior to the April 4, 2001 Hudson River PCBs public meeting in Queensbury, New York. During our discussion, David assured me that all data on the CD-ROM that was given to EPA had passed quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC). David further indicated that the QA/QC information for these data would be released to the public shortly by the Natural Resource Trustees.

This memo to the file was transcribed from handwritten notes that I took during my April 5 conversation with David Keehn.

Additional Information

Name of study		Hudson River Damage Assessment Floodplain Soil and Biota Screening
Contact person and phone#	*Project*	Bob Unsworth, Industrial Economics: 617-354-0074
	Soil Sampling	Mark Heaney, Kirsten Smith, SEA Consultants: 617-497-7
	Shrew Sampling	Chris Balk, NYSDEC: 518-773-7318
		Nick Corso, Woods Hole Group Environmental
	Laboratory	Laboratories: 508-822-9300
	Database	Jay Field, NOAA: 206-526-6404
Release Information	Original Version, Kirsten Smith 9 Feb 01	Distribution: Jay Field, 2/8/01 via email

Sample Replicates	describe the types of replicates included and the identifiers used	See worksheets Soil_Chem and Tissue_Chem; General gives definition of terms
Station locations	provide a map showing all station locations	Sample locations Arcview Shapefile will be provided
Geo-reference info	describe how coordinates were determined (e.g., GPS, estimated from map,); define coordinate projection (e.g., UTM Zone 19 North) and datum (e.g., NAD83)	Soil sample coordinates via GPS; projection is U.S. State Plane, NY Central 3102, datum NAD 1983 Conus, in meters.
REFERENCE	include preferred citation of the study report, including year, authors, and	
CHEMICAL CODES	provide an electronic table listing all chemical codes, chemical name, and CAS# (if available)	See worksheets Soil_Chem and Tissue_Chem
QUALIFIERS	provide a list of all qualifiers used and their definitions	See worksheet General for definitions
SPECIES CODES	provide a table listing all species codes and species names	Species "STS"= short-tailed shrew, *Blarina brevicauda*

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