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TO: Hudson River PCB Steering Committee
FROM: Bridget Barclay, Hudson River Sloop Clearwater,
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RE: Comments on the Phase 1 Work Plan
DATE: March 12, 1991

1) The Work Plan should be more explicit about what information is currently available, and what gaps have been identified that will be addressed in Phase 2. In order to assist liaison groups and the general public in assessing RI/FS documents, it would be helpful to provide an abstract of all information sources being utilized. We understand that this will be a document that would be evolving as the reassessment continues.

2) Phase 1 should focus on the entire Hudson River, not just on the Thompson Island Pool area.

3) Regarding the "Remedial Technology Assessment", more information should be provided as to how a list of potential technologies will be developed, and the preliminary screening technology that will be used during Phase 1.

4) What is the status of the development of a Scientific Advisory Board?

5) In the Phase 1 Report specific discussion should be provided of the level of uncertainty or qualifications that are appropriately associated with any data sets used, as well as modeling efforts or assessments that are done.

6) To facilitate useful comments by the liaison groups and the general public all RI/FS documents produced should define all technical terms used and avoid referencing unexplained acronyms or studies (ie. "STREAM" and "NOAA PNRS").