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Re: Siting Survey Comments

Dear Mr. Tomchuk:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Landfill/Treatment Facility Siting Survey Report. While we think that it would have been prudent to inform the public about this study earlier in the process, we recognize that the study is an integral and necessary part of EPA's Reassessment.

Given the contentious history of attempts by New York State's to site a landfill for dredge spoils from the Hudson River, it will be critical for EPA to evaluate alternative clean-up strategies beyond landfilling. This particular report does not make reference to the studies of other alternatives that may be conducted as part of the Feasibility Study. We would certainly urge that permanent destruction technologies be evaluated. Also, EPA should evaluate sending Hudson River dredge spoils to a pre-existing, TOSCA approved landfill that would be prepared to accept PCB-contaminated materials without the delays inherent in the siting process. We would be interested in knowing the nature of the other studies that will be conducted as part of the Feasibility Study.

Sincerely,

Cara Lee
Environmental Director