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Ms. Holly E. Mabb
Town Clerk
Town of Kingsbury
210 Main St.
Hudson Falls, NY 12839-1814

Dear Ms. Mabb:

Governor Pataki has asked me to respond to the Town of Kingsbury's resolution entitled "Resolution to Support a County Law to Prohibit a PCB Landfill within Washington County" dated December 2, 1997.

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is still evaluating the complex scientific and technical aspects of the Hudson River Reassessment Project. In our deliberations, we will take into account the perspectives, knowledge and values of the affected community as well as the science and technology that has been applied throughout the study. We will continue to work with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to ensure a comprehensive evaluation is made of the remedial alternatives. The DEC believes the technical work must be completed and presented to the public before it can support any particular remedy for addressing the PCB contamination in the Hudson River.

The resolution also raised a concern with EPA's recent landfill siting survey. The EPA recently provided a public apology for the method in which it performed the landfill siting study. The Department believes that EPA should now be judged by its future actions to take into account the recommendations made by you and others involved in the community interaction process.

Thank you for your continued concern and input on the PCB contamination in the Hudson River.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John P. Cahill".
John P. Cahill

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bcc: D. Tomchuck (EPA-NY)

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Honorable Jeanne M. Fox, Regional Administrator
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290 Broadway
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*For
Muszynski
- Joe Caspe (action)*

Dear Ms. Fox:

Enclosed please find a copy of a Resolution to Support a County Law to prohibit a PCB landfill within Washington County. This resolution was unanimously passed by the Kingsbury Town Board on Monday, November 24, 1997.

Sincerely,

Holly E. Mabb

Holly E. Mabb
Kingsbury Town Clerk

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Enc. .

US EPA
97 DEC -8 PM 2:38
OPM/PPEB

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
1997 DEC 10 PM 1:19
EMERGENCY REMEDIAL
RESPONSE DIVISION
USEPA-REGION II

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She had met with representatives of Washington County Youth Bureau. The Youth Bureau is looking at a program that would be cooperative between the Youth Bureau and the Cornell Cooperative Extension offering parenting classes. They are looking at the Town of Kingsbury and the Town of Hartford as pilot towns for this program. They will contact local mayors, clergy, school district and the recreation commissions for their input. There will be no additional cost to the towns for this program.

Supervisor Gould stated there was another meeting scheduled between Warren and Washinton County Board of Supervisors to have further dialogue about the solid waste problems at the Resource Recovery Plant.

Supervisor Gould reported the Town of Easton had recently passed a resolution supporting a county law to prohibit any PCB landfills within the boundaries of Washington County. Easton had requested that each town within the county pass a similar resolution. Supervisor Gould introduced the following resolution:

**TOWN OF KINGSBURY
RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT A COUNTY LAW TO PROHIBIT A PCB LANDFILL
WITHIN WASHINGTON COUNTY.**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Kingsbury has gone on record to oppose the dredging of PCB's from the Hudson River, and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency has conducted a PCB landfill siting study, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Supervisors has proposed drafting a county law prohibiting the land filling of PCB's within its borders, and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Supervisors has determined that dredging the PCB's is unnecessary,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Kingsbury supports and encourages the Washington County Board of Supervisors' efforts to adopt a local law prohibiting the siting of a PCB landfill in Washington County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Kingsbury encourages each town in Washington County to officially support such a county law, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Kingsbury encourages each town to examine their current no dumping laws and strengthen them to exclude PCB's specifically, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to Carrie Whitney, Washington County Clerk to the Board of Supervisors, each Town Supervisor, Governor George E. Pataki, Congressman Gerald Solomon, Senator Ronald B. Stafford, Assemblyman Robert D'Andrea, the Environmental Protection Agency and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Cahill.

A discussion was had regarding this resolution. Mr. Tony Cerro asked where the town board members had the moral reasoning to send PCB's elsewhere when they were generated here and wasn't the town board saying "not in my back yard".

Further discussion was had. Motion by Councilman Vaughn, seconded by Councilman Freebern and carried by a vote of 4 ayes adopting the above noted resolution as presented.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE COPY OF A RECORD ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE KINGSBURY TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF KINGSBURY, NEW YORK. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN DULY SIGNED AND SEALED BY THE KINGSBURY TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF KINGSBURY, NEW YORK.

December 2, 1997

DATE

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TOWN CLERK