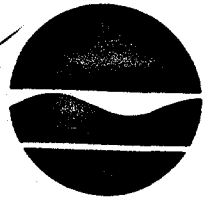


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Thomas C. Jorling  
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Mr. Constantine Sidamon-Eristoff  
Region II Regional Administrator  
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Dear Connie:

I am writing to request that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) replace Daniel A. Abramowicz as Chairperson of the Hudson River PCB Science and Technical Committee for the Hudson River PCB Reassessment RI/FS.

While we understand that Mr. Abramowicz was elected through a vote of the committee, we consider it inappropriate for an employee of the principal responsible party to chair this important committee, especially since the State Co-Chair has resigned from State service. General Electric (GE) has an obvious financial stake in the matter under consideration and is waging an expensive public relations campaign in the popular press to sell its position. It is impossible to imagine that an individual in GE's employ could objectively chair such a committee. No matter what recommendations the committee arrives at, its conclusions will be suspect because of this conflict.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Langdon Marsh  
Executive Deputy Commissioner

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