



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION II

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April 17, 1991

Dear Committee Member:

Attached are the minutes of the Hudson River Oversight Committee Meeting held April 4, 1991, at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY, and a copy of the minutes of the Scientific and Technical Committee Meeting held April 2, 1991, in Latham, NY.

Thank you for attending. We look forward to your continued participation. Please note that although the minutes say that the next meeting of HROC will be July 9, 1991, that date has been changed to July 16, 1991, to allow time for the Liaison Groups and Steering Committee to review the Phase 1 Report and hold their meetings. If your schedule cannot accommodate the new date, please arrange to have an alternate represent you. Location is still undetermined.

As a reminder, on May 15, 1991, there will be a presentation by TAMS Consultants, Inc. which will provide a preliminary view of what will be formalized in the Phase I Report. This meeting will be held at 6:00 PM at the Desmond Hotel, 660 Albany-Shaker Road, Albany, N.Y. The meeting will involve several individual presentations. We will start promptly and anticipate having limited time for discussion that evening. There will be ample opportunity for comment after the report is released in June. We hope you will be able to attend.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ann Rychlenski", is positioned above the typed name.

Ann Rychlenski
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Attachments

HUDSON RIVER PCBs REASSESSMENT RI/FS
Hudson River Oversight Committee Meeting
Poughkeepsie, NY
April 4, 1991

SUMMARY OF PHASE 1

1. LOWER HUDSON

Characteristics of Lower Hudson

Hydrology and Hydraulics
Water Quality
Aquatic Ecology

Sources of PCBs

Overview of Previous Investigations

Monitoring Investigations
NYSDEC
Lamont Doherty
NYCDEP
ISC
ACOE
Water Supplies
USGS
USEPA
Storet
NOAA
Thomann Report

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2. UPPER HUDSON

Upper Hudson Demography, Land Use and Resource Use

Population
Land Use
Upper Hudson Resources

Recreation
Fisheries
Water Supply
Waste Disposal
Navigation

Upper Hudson Characteristics

Hydrology
Water Quality
Ecology

Sources of PCBs

General Electric PCB Use and Discharge
Other

Overview of Previous Investigations

Sediment

1977 and 1984 NYSDEC Sampling
1984 NYSDEC Sampling
Lamont Doherty
Other

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2. UPPER HUDSON (Continued)

Water Column

USGS
NYSDOH
Waterford Water Treatment Plant Study

Fish and Aquatic Biota

NYSDEC Fish Sampling
NYSDOH Macroinvertebrate
SUNY Binghamton

Air and Volatilization Studies

Lamont Doherty
NYSDEC

General Electric Investigations

PCB Mass and Distribution

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3. PCB TRANSPORT

Phase 1 Focus on Upper Hudson

Reasons
Modeling Requirements

Mass Transport: Upper to Lower River

Upper Hudson PCB Transport Modeling
Evaluation of Previous (HEC-6) Modeling
Hydraulic Transport
Sediment Transport
Initial Model Results from Thompson Island Pool

Assessment and Recommendations for Phase 2 Sampling

4. STATISTICAL EVALUATIONS

Management Model

Statistical Analysis/Discussion

Assessment and Recommendations for Phase 2 Sampling

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5. ASSESSMENTS

Human Health

Phase 1 Focus on Upper Hudson
Exposure Assessment
Toxicity Assessment
Risk Characterization
Data Uncertainties and Qualifications

Ecological

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6. PHASE 1 FEASIBILITY STUDY

Remedial Action Objectives
General Response Action
Contaminant/Action/Location Specific ARARs
Technology and Process Identification

7. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Data Trends
Adequacy of Data

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

Sampling Plan
Phase 2 Work Plan