January 28, 1992

Dear Members of the Citizens Laison Committee,

As many of you were unable to attend our last meeting, I thought that I would bring you up to date on Reassessment activities.

Concerning the NYS DEC issue that came up last October at our Steering Committee Meeting, you find attached copies of all infomation and correspondance thus far, (although Gov. Cuomo has yet to respond, DEC Commissioner Jorling has responded).

Briefly, I feel satisfied to continue and also attached you find a copy of comments at the most recent Oversite Committee Meeting held 01/21/92 in Poughkeepsie. The EPA Regional Administrator, Constantine Sidamon-Eristoff attended this meeting. We all felt that it was a pleasure meeting with him.

As concerns Phase I, the Responsiveness Summary will be out in March and will answer your questions and comments. The reponse to Phase I was tremendous and it sounds as if this document will be as lengthly as Phase I itself.

Also available in March will be the Phase II Workplan. Two annoucements have been made concerning Phase II that I'm sure will please you - 1. that congener/specific PCB's will be considered; and 2. that additional sampling is necessary. Phase IIA Sampling has begun already because of time constraints. This sampling is divided into three types:

1. Side Scan Sonar - a "catscan" of the river between Lock 7 & Lock 4.

2. High Resolution Cores - these cores will be taken between the Battery in NYC all the way up to Ft. Edward.

3. Water Monitoring and Column Sampling - these being in seven sample spots between Glens Falls and Troy.

I'm sure that you have questions about Phase II, and when we get the Workplan in March we'll meet and go over ~~all~~ everything.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please feel free to call me days 8-4 (518) 639-4486 X283 or eves after 5 (518) 695-3193. Thank you.

Judy Schmidt-Dean
Chair/Citizens Laison Committee.

P.S. - I have just received a copy of the Phase 2A Sampling Plan - there are copies at the Repositories, but contact me if you want to borrow it