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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION I

60 WESTVIEW STREET, LEXINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02173

COMMUNITY RELATIONS NEWSLETTER  
EASTERN SURPLUS COMPANY SITE  
ROUTE 191 MEDDYBEMPS, MAINE  
MAY 11, 1987



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Dear Resident:

I am mailing you this newsletter, as part of the community relations program for this site, to inform you of removal actions being undertaken by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and future work that will be occurring as part of the total removal action to clean up the Eastern Surplus Company Site.

Further Removal Actions

Further removal actions have been put on hold for two weeks pending resolution of contractor mobilization difficulties.

Phase One: Bulking of small containers into drums, sampling of bulked and other drums contents, laboratory analysis of samples for compatibility and disposal/treatment parameters, calcium carbide disposal/treatment, and site trash cleanup(i.e. old cars, trailers, clothing, etc.) and disposal.

Phase Two: This phase will consist of compressed gas cylinder retrieval, staging, venting, and disposal. There is a possibility that this may be performed by a Department of Defense (DOD) Contractor.

Phase Three: This phase of the removal will consist of soil, sediment, surface water, and groundwater sampling, testing of these samples to determine the extent, if any, of contamination on-site, and depending on the laboratory analysis of these results possible removal and/or treatment of the soil, sediments, surface water and groundwater.

Removal Schedule

See Attachment A

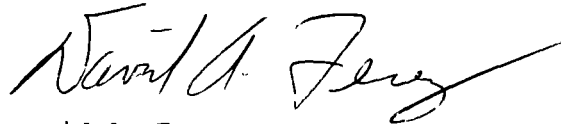
I have set up a public meeting at the town hall for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 14, 1987, to explain the cleanup schedule and activities.

I will be sending out Community Relations Newsletters, on a weekly basis, while site work is in progress; and on a bi-weekly or monthly basis when the site is shut down in between cleanup phases.

I look forward, as I am sure you do, to cleanup up this site. I hope we will have a productive and cordial relationship during this removal action.

I thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David A. Ferez". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

David A. Ferez  
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ATTACHMENT A  
PROPOSED REMOVAL SCHEDULE (PHASES ONE - THREE)

ACTION

DATE

Phase One Removal Work

May - July 1, 1987

Phase Two Removal Work

August 1 - October 1, 1987

Phase Three Removal Work

October 1 - November 15, 1987  
April 15 - June 15, 1988