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Ms. Ethel Oliver
PO Box 271
Harpersville, New York 13787

Dear Ms. Oliver:

RE: Colesville Landfill
Site No. 704010

Enclosed please find a Citizen Participation Plan for the Colesville Landfill. We would like to use your office as a Document Repository. I hope to eventually supply you with copies of all the studies that have been done on this site. The Citizen Participation Plan and any copies of site studies should be made available to any interested public.

If you have any questions, please call me at 518-457-1641.

Sincerely,

Brian H. Davidson
Project Manager
Bureau of Eastern Remedial Action
Division of Hazardous Waste
Remediation

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Citizen Participation Plan
Colesville Landfill (I.D. No. 704010)

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Section I Introduction to Plan

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation is committed to a citizen participation program as a part of its responsibilities for the inactive hazardous waste site remedial program. Citizen participation promotes public understanding of the Department's responsibilities, planning activities, and remedial activities at inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. It provides an opportunity for the Department to learn from the public information that will enable the Department to develop a comprehensive remedial program which is protective of both public health and the environment.

Section II Basic Site Information and Project Description

The Colesville Landfill is a 35-acre former municipal landfill in the Town of Colesville, Broome County, just north of the hamlet of Doraville. Landfill operations at the Colesville site commenced in 1969 and continued until 1984. The site was used primarily for the disposal of municipal solid waste, although drummed industrial wastes from various sources were also disposed between 1973 and 1975.

In 1983, homeowner well samples collected in the vicinity of the landfill by the Broome County Health Department indicated contaminated groundwater in the immediate vicinity of the landfill. This prompted the Broome County Department of Public Works to perform two hydrogeologic investigations in 1983 and 1984.

Based on available information, the Colesville site was listed on the New York State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites and subsequently was listed on the National Priority List (NPL). The listing of the site on the New York State Registry and the NPL requires that specific procedures be followed to thoroughly investigate and remediate the site. After considerable negotiations between GAF Corporation, Broome County, and the NYSDEC, agreement on a Consent Order and Work Plan for further investigation and remediation of the Colesville Landfill was reached. The Consent Order also allowed for up to 75 percent of Broome Counties costs for site remediation to be reimbursed by the State under Title 3 of the Environmental Quality Bond Act (EQBA), making this Consent Order the first of its kind in the State.

On February 4, 1987, two public hearings were held at the Broome County Office Building to present the Work Plan for the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to the public. In October 1987, field work for the remedial investigation began, and the RI/FS is currently under way. Another public hearing will be held after the RI/FS is complete.

Section III Identification of Affected and/or Interested Public
(Contact List - the contract list will be expanded as
affected or interested public are identified)

Supervisor
Town of Colesville

Citizens Action of New York
293 Chenango Street
Binghamton, New York
Attention: Ms. Mary Clark
607-723-0110

Ms. Caroline S. Cappallo
Legislator, 9th District
Deposit, New York 13754

Section IV Identification of Department Contacts

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NYSDEC Regional Contact:

Frank Trent *See*
NYSD of Environmental Conservation
RD #1 Route 11
Kirkwood, New York 13795
607-773-7763

NYSDEC Citizen Participation Specialist:

~~Susan Miller~~ *KATE LACY*
NYSD of Environmental Conservation
615 Erie Boulevard West
Syracuse, New York 13204
315-426-7400

NYSDOH Contact:

James Madigan *See*
NYSD of Health
Bureau of Environmental Exposure Investigation
2 University Place, 2nd Floor
Albany, New York 12203

County Health Department Contact:

Robert W. Denz
Director of Environmental Health
Broome County Department of Health
1 Wall Street
Binghamton, New York 13901
607-772-2887

NYSDEC Toll Free Information Phone:

1-800-342-9296

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Section V Identification of Document Repositories

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Environmental Conservation
RD #1 Route 11
Kirkwood, New York 13795

Town Clerk
Town of Colesville
Box 27
Harpersville, New York 13787

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Section VI Description of Citizen Participation Activities

1. The Consent Order was described, the RI/FS process was explained, and the RI/FS Work Plan was presented to the public at two (2) public meetings on February 4, 1987.
2. When the RI/FS is completed a Public Notice of the Proposed Remedial Action Plan will be published. The Public Notice will include a description of the problems identified at the site, a description of and reasons for the selection of the proposed remedial action, identification of the document repository, identification of a contact person, and a announcement of public meeting.
3. The RI/FS report, preferred remedial action plan, and tentative schedules for design and construction will be presented at the public meeting. A public comment period of at least 30 days will follow to receive public comments.
4. A Responsiveness Summary listing significant public comments received and demonstrating how these comments were taken into account will be written.
5. A Public Notice of the Final Remedial Plan selected will be published. The Public Notice will include a brief analysis of the remedial action selected, a discussion of any significant changes from the plan presented to the public at the Public Meeting, and a notice of availability of the Responsiveness Summary.

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