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September 5, 2006

Mr. Joshua Carpenter
United States Army Corps of Engineers
Vicksburg District
4155 E. Clay Street
Vicksburg, Mississippi 39183

SUBJ: Sonford Products
Flowood, Mississippi; Rankin County

Dear Mr. Carpenter:

This letter is being written as a follow up to our telephone conversation on August 28, 2006, regarding the former Sonford Products site. The former Sonford Products site is located at 3506 Payne Drive in Rankin County, Flowood, Mississippi with coordinates of 32.29251⁰ North and 90.14222⁰ West. The Sonford Products site is a former pentachlorophenol processing facility that operated from 1972 to 1985.

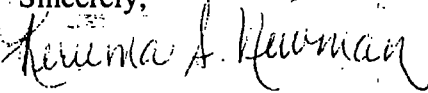
This site is proposed for listing on the National Priorities List (NPL) in October 2006. The listing of the site on the NPL will trigger the start of the remedial phase of the Superfund Process. The next step is to perform a Remedial Investigation / Feasibility Study (RI/FS). During the RI/FS, an ecological risk assessment will be performed.

Adjacent and south of the subject site is a wooded area that has been described as a marshland or "perennial forested palustrine wetland". The marshland is being considered for purchase by Custom Products. Custom Products is the adjacent property owner south of the marshland in question. Custom Products would like to expand and develop the marshland as a parking lot. Please allow this letter to serve as a written request for a jurisdictional determination of the marshland. The designation of the marshland will impact how the ecological risk assessment is conducted during the RI/FS. It may also affect how the property can be developed in the future.

As discussed during our telephone conversation, I am also requesting a preliminary determination of all the forested area east of the Sonford Products site and the area south of Custom Products. Enclosed are two aerial photographs. The first is of the Sonford Products site and the marshland in question. The second is a smaller photograph of the Sonford Products site and the forested areas east of the site and south of the site in question.

I appreciate your immediate assistance in this matter and look forward to working with you. If my schedule permits, I would like to meet you at the site when you are conducting your assessment. If you have any additional questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me further at 404-562-8859.

Sincerely,

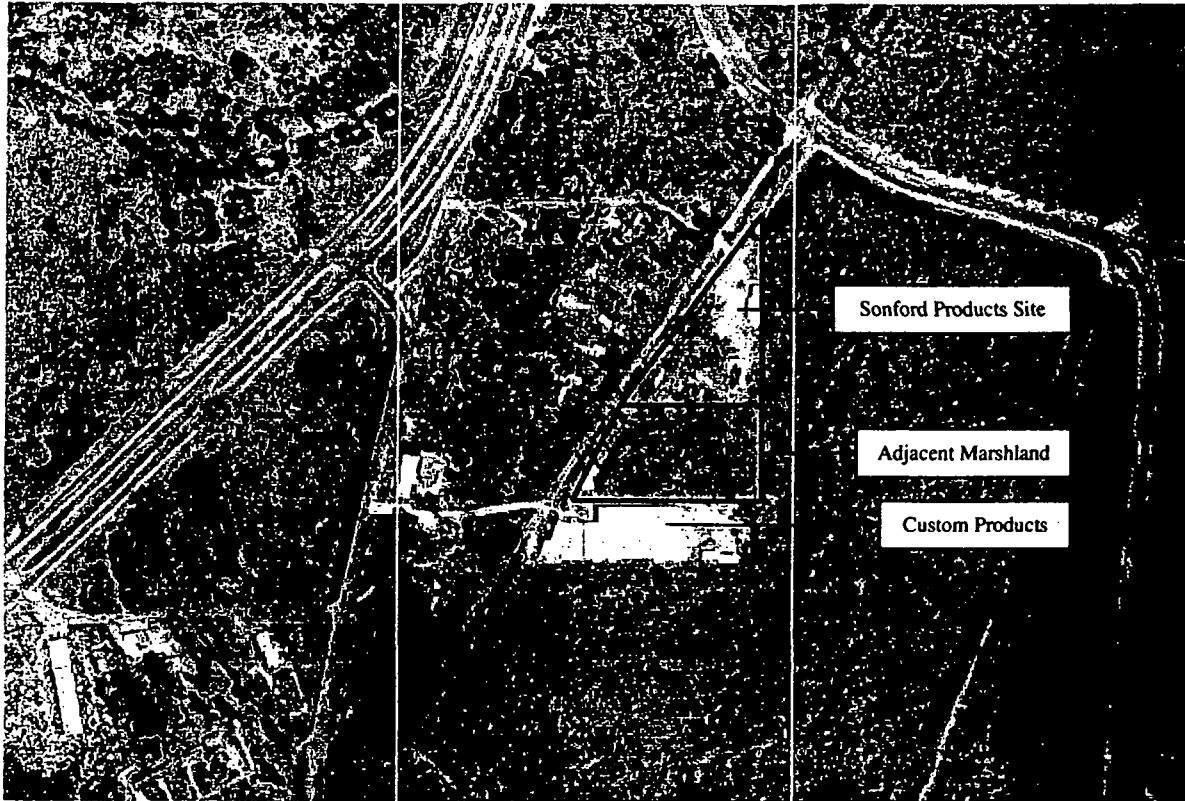


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Enclosure

cc: Richard Ball, MDEQ

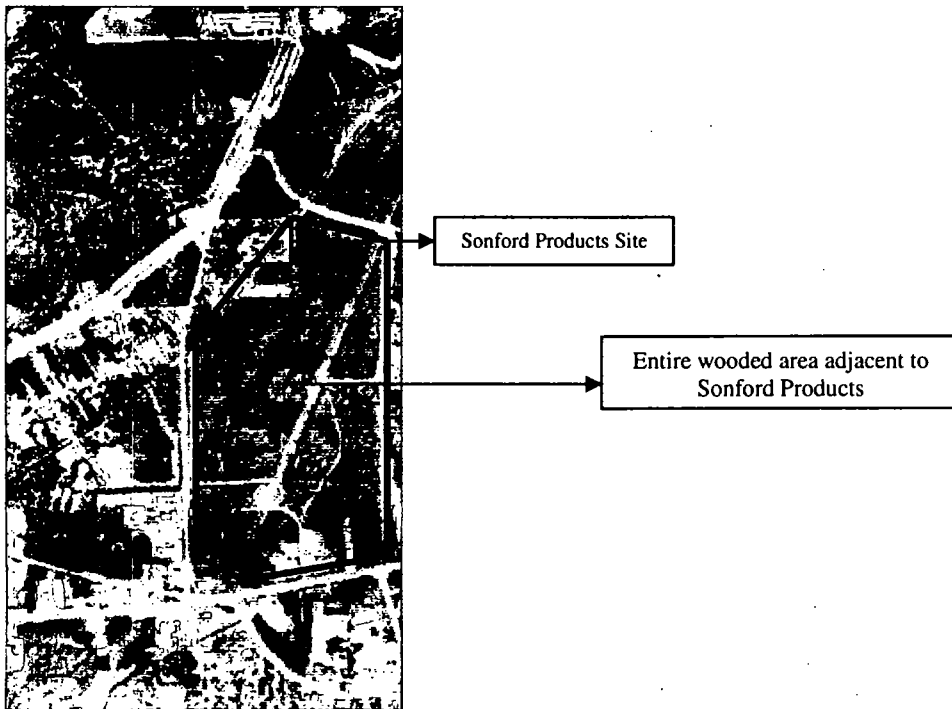
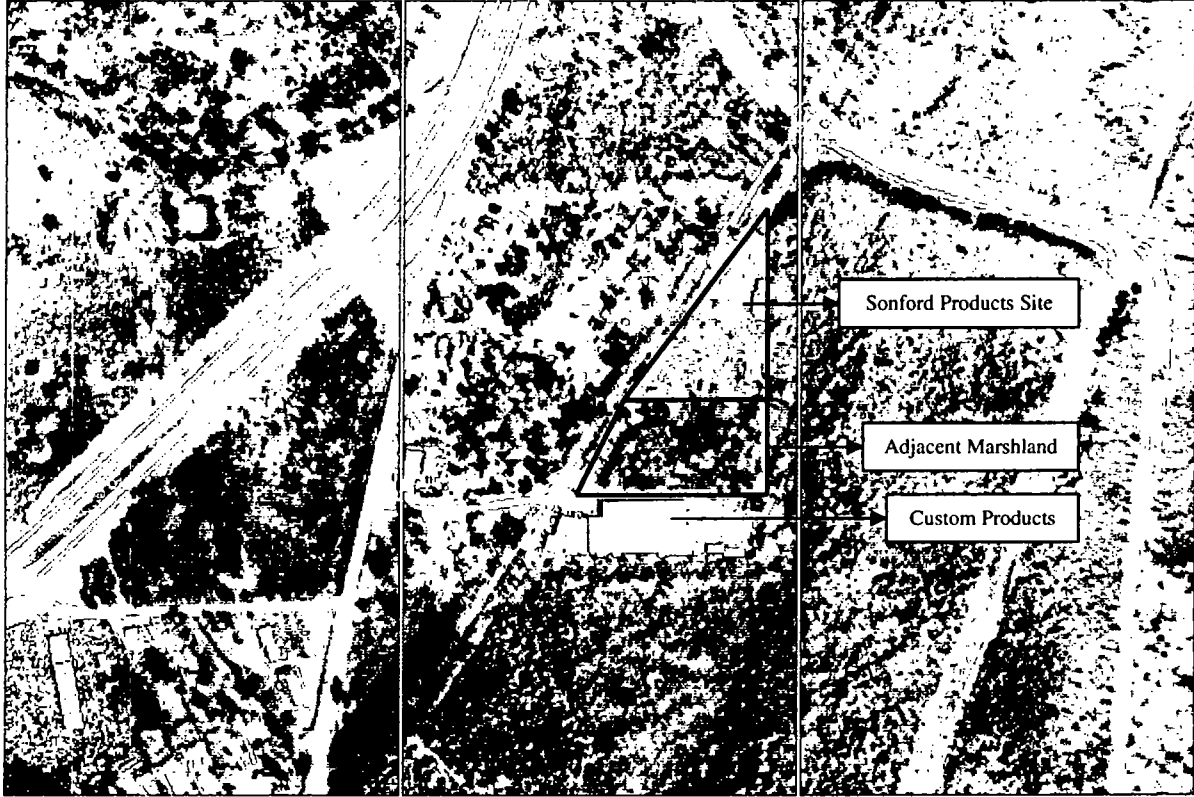
Sonford Products Site
3506 Payne Drive
Flowood, Mississippi 39232
Rankin County
Latitude: 32.29251⁰
Longitude: -90.14222⁰



Sonford Products Site

Entire wooded area adjacent to
Sonford Products

Sonford Products Site
3506 Payne Drive
Flowood, Mississippi 39232
Rankin County





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