

October 20, 2006

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CORPORATION FACILITY IN NEWFIELD, NEW JERSEY

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We are requesting a list of threatened or endangered species or critical habitats within the action area. The action area is defined as the SMC site which is primarily located in the Borough of Newfield in Gloucester County, with a portion of the southwest corner in the City of Vineland in Cumberland County, NJ. The action area is approximately 35 miles Northwest of Atlantic City, NJ.

After assessing the information provided by you, the NRC will determine what additional actions are necessary to comply with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act. If you have any questions or comments, or need any additional information, please contact Gregory Suber of my staff at: (301) 415-1124.

Sincerely,

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