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The Honorable Bill Bradley
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Bradley:

This letter provides our response to your April 28, 1992 letter requesting information regarding an inquiry from the Mayor of Manchester Township, New Jersey, relative to the presence of radioactive material at the Heritage Minerals site in Lakehurst, New Jersey. Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Mr. Thomas T. Martin, NRC Region I Administrator, to Mayor Jane C. Cameron of Manchester Township that discusses our plan to meet with her and her Township Council on April 22, 1992.

Due to the importance of this matter, Mr. Richard Cooper, Director, Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards, NRC Region I, attended the meeting accompanied by a member of his staff familiar with the Heritage Minerals site. Mr. Cooper is responsible for managing the NRC Region I inspection and licensing program with respect to radiation protection. He and the staff member met with the Mayor and the Township Council both at the Heritage site and at a public meeting of the Township Council, answered questions from Council Members and members of the public, and discussed the NRC's Site Decommissioning Management Program and the specific radiation protection concerns regarding the Heritage Minerals site described in Mayor Cameron's March 18, 1992 letter to NRC Region I. We believe that we have been responsive to the Mayor's concerns, will continue to work with Heritage Minerals to assure the expeditious cleanup of the site, and will keep the Township and the State informed of our activities.

Enclosed for your information is a recent summary discussing the Heritage Minerals Site. I trust that we have been responsive to your request to address this matter expeditiously.

Sincerely,

James M. Taylor
Executive Director
for Operations

Enclosures:
1. Letter to Mayor Cameron dated April 17, 1992
2. Updated Site Summary

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