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Mr. Bharat Mathur
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Dear Mr. Mathur:

The purpose of this letter is to convey the support of Illinois regarding the inclusion of the Chemetco Site, located in Hartford, Illinois, on the National Priorities List.

The State of Illinois' evaluation of the Chemetco Site shows that past disposal and operating practices have resulted in uncontrolled releases of hazardous substances to the environment that pose unacceptable risks to human health and the environment.

The State of Illinois supports the inclusion of the Chemetco Site in the next proposed update to the National Priorities List.

If you should have any questions or need additional information regarding the contents of this letter, please contact Mr. Gary P. King of my staff at (217) 782-0245 or via electronic mail at gary.king@illinois.gov.

Very truly yours,

Doug Scott

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