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Mr. Robert Van Fossen, Assistant Director
Discharge Response Element
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
401 East State Street
Trenton, NJ 08652

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Re: Meadowlands Plating and Finishing Site, E. Rutherford, Bergen County, NJ

Dear Mr. Van Fossen:

This letter is to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed the removal action at the above Site. A request was made by NJDEP in September 1998, for EPA to conduct a removal action at the Site, a defunct electroplating facility. The Site contained thousands of gallons of waste electroplating chemicals, cyanide powders, and hundreds of tons of plating waste sludge.

EPA initiated the removal action in December, 1998. During the period from December to June, 1999, EPA packaged, labeled and shipped more than 250 tons of plating sludge, almost 2,000 lbs. of cyanide compounds and more than 100,000 gallons of acidic/caustic liquids and metal solutions. All of the above materials were either RCRA hazardous wastes, CERCLA hazardous substances, or derived-from RCRA wastes. As of June 15, 1999, all hazardous substances have been removed from the Site and the scope-of-work outlined in the Action Memorandum dated November 17, 1998, has been completed.

If you have any questions about this removal action, please contact Paul L. Kahn, of my staff, at (732) 321-6617.

Sincerely yours,

Bruce Sprague

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