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Shaun McGrath, Regional Administrator
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Dear Mr. McGrath,

I have been a member of the Community Liaison Panel held in Columbia Falls regarding the cleanup of CFAC outside town. Its history in my community is a strong one that provided jobs to family, friends and neighbors, including my husband for many years. Cleaning the portion of the property that has been in question is a goal for everyone so that there is a future possibility of resale to another manufacturing center or business on this site.

Now that Glencore has come to the table and is doing the necessary steps for discovery, I believe it is too soon to place it on Superfund listing. So long as they comply with the EPA and DEQ's requests I think we should hold off on National Priorities Listing and keep the alternative while following the Administrative Order of Consent.

Recent MPR and *Montana Standard* reports on the Superfund in Butte are not glowing ones for the agency. There has been distrust on the cleanup there and 30 years of frustration for the business community and residents in the city. Similar concerns have been expressed in the Libby community after 15 years of listing.

Requiring results and working closely with Glencore through this process will go a long way to what we all want---a clean site with lots of potential. I hope this will be the resolve of the EPA and DEQ while Glencore is cooperating and fulfilling their end of the bargain. Thanks for your consideration in keeping CFAC on a Superfund Alternative Approach.

Sincerely,

Dee Brown

Cc: Governor Bullock, MT DEQ, Mike Cirian, Susan Nicosia, Phil Mitchell