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Thanks Chris – This is helpful.

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Hi Roy,

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Hi Roy,

Chris Vallone is the SAM for the Bishop Tube site and has provided below a comprehensive response to the reporter's questions. Let me know if you have any questions or comments or feel free to contact Chris at 4-3306 directly.

Question 1: Can we explain the current status of the site and explain why it is NOT a Superfund site?

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Question 3: Is it accurate to say that Pennsylvania has requested that EPA **not** put the Bishop Tube site on the NPL?

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Thanks,
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Yazmine – Check out the media inquiry below from a Philadelphia Inquirer reporter. She has questions about the Bishop Tube site. These look like the questions we need to answer. The reporter has a Thursday afternoon deadline.

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Thanks for any help you can provide. – Roy

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Good morning, Roy,

This is Michaelle Bond, a reporter at The Inquirer. I'm writing about a TCE-contaminated site in East Whiteland Township, Chester County referred to as Bishop Tube for the company that once operated there. I have a few questions.

1)People in the community keep saying this site is a Superfund site. But I could not find it when I searched for Superfund sites on the EPA website. Do you know why that would be? I've attached two documents a community member showed me. If this is not a Superfund site, why isn't it? What criteria doesn't it meet?

2)What involvement, if any, has the EPA had in this site?

3)Is it accurate that the state asked the EPA not to put the site on the National Priorities List? Is this something states do?

I'm looking for answers by tomorrow afternoon.

Thanks, and please let me know if you have questions for me.

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