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Subject: Comments on the Proposed Plan for an Interim Remedial
Action of the Shallow Aquifer at the Hadnot Point Industrial Area

Dear Mr. Brant:

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) has reviewed your proposed plan for an interim remedial action of the shallow aquifer at the Hadnot Point Industrial Area. We agree that an interim remedial action is warranted and would be beneficial.

Since the treatment facility is in close proximity to a recreational area, we wish to offer the following recommendations to assure the safety of people who use the area. Although models were used to determine the adequacy and safety of the process, ATSDR feels that these recommendations will provide the information necessary for us to evaluate public health concerns that may arise from the proposed interim remedial action.

1. Air monitoring for volatile organic chemicals should be conducted for a short period of time after beginning the process and again when the process is at peak capacity. Analyses should include determining concentrations of volatile organic chemicals such as benzene, vinyl chloride, and other volatiles associated with both plumes and not be confined to trichloroethylene.
2. Monitoring stations should be at areas closest to the nearest recreational areas and should be at heights that would be representative of the breathing zone for a young child as well as an adult.

Sincerely yours,

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