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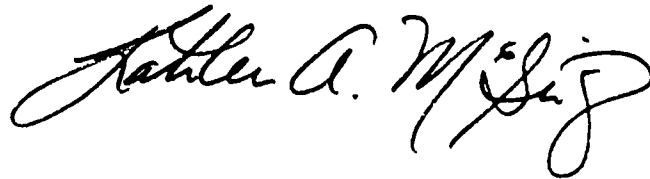
Dear Ms. Prokes:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your work on the Commitment to CARE concept. It was good to hear from you, and I apologize for the delay in my response.

As you know, I share President Clinton's commitment to the preservation of the environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. I certainly appreciate your bringing your information to my attention.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, White House Office on  
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RELOCATION CONSULTANT  
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February 23, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty  
White House Office of Environmental Policy  
White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Re: For your review, copies of the COMMITMENT TO CARE concept and letter to Vice President Gore

Dear Ms. McGinty:

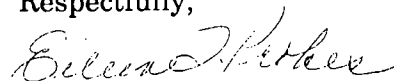
First, I would like to offer you, congratulations on your new appointment. This is a position of vital importance, and I truly wish you the very best.

The need for "CARE" is urgent, although it may not seem so in this time of financial crisis. The potential costs of litigation initiated by those affected by environmental problems is staggering and could paralyze or bankrupt corporations and governments. Timely and effective responses could well save untold millions of dollars and tremendous stresses. As environmental awareness increases, so will heightened sensitivity to the impact on individuals. A proactive approach is urgently needed. The potential savings generated by creating a centralized response structure, "CARE," will by far offset costs to initiate such a project.

It is probably quite apparent that I feel strongly about the creation of the 'CARE' concept for both humanitarian and economic reasons. I would very much like to have the opportunity to discuss with you the possibility of this program being incorporated into the new White House Office on Environmental Policy.

I welcome your response and look forward to speaking to you about this special program.

Respectfully,



Eileen F. Prokes

**CONSORTIUM;** an agreement, combination, or group (as of companies) formed to undertake an enterprise beyond the resources of any one member.

## **COMMITMENT to CARE**

**GOAL:** Government and Business/a synergistic partnership, joined together in mutual aid and co-operation, a unified focus, to provide an "inter-house pool of expertise" to respond to and care for people and communities impacted by environmental difficulties.

### **C Central Organization**

Resource center

- Information exchange
- Education
- Library/Data collection

Core group

- Site assessment/response teams
- Resource team
- Strategy development

### **A Assessment**

Assess needs/address concerns

- Before - Prevention - Off set potential problems
- During - Mitigation - Special programs
- On-going - Partnership - Community action groups

### **R Response**

- Create plans/strategy specific to the needs of the site
- Policy development
- Delivery

### **E Empower**

Provide the structure and expertise to guide the local site to strategy implementation and responsibility for its own care program.

The ultimate savings are tremendous as:

- Litigation potential is lessened
- Monies are freed for remediation
- Cost effective solutions are implemented

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February 23, 1993

Vice President Albert Gore, Jr.  
Office of Vice President  
S-212, The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: **COMMITMENT TO CARE  
A PARTNERSHIP, CONSORTIUM OF GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS,  
JOINED TOGETHER TO CREATE A CENTRAL RESPONSE STRUCTURE  
DEDICATED TO RESPOND AND CARE FOR PEOPLE AND  
COMMUNITIES IMPACTED BY ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS.** Such an  
organization does not exist today. The need is urgent. The time is now.

In your words, "it may now be necessary to foster a new 'environmentalism of the spirit'." Integral in attaining a new spirit and balance on this earth is "a belief in the individual and a commitment to the community,"...

Dear Vice President Gore:

Response to the human side of environmental problems, as you well know, is in its infancy. Response in this country thus far has been "piecemeal" and fragmented. There have been a very limited number of ambitious and fine programs initiated by responsible corporations to protect impacted people or neighborhoods, where there has been groundwater contamination, contaminated soil, or toxic waste dumping. However, when a problem occurs there is **no one place to turn for advice or assistance, no centralized "pool of expertise," or no central resource structure.** This fragmentation has caused lengthy response delays, excessive costs, and tremendous stresses and fears, all encouraging costly litigation; litigation taking monies far better allocated to remediation. Litigation costs which could paralyze or bankrupt corporation or governments.

I am most fortunate to be one of the handful of people in this country to have spent time "in the trenches," working directly with both Kodak and DuPont in initiating and managing programs designed to alleviate financial loss to property and to maintain the integrity and revitalize neighborhoods affected by environmental difficulties. (The book hasn't been written on this, yet). My practical experiences and overview of this newly

emerging response to the recognition by business and government of our mutual responsibility to our fellow beings, encourage me to stress the need for a unified focus to advocate solutions that are in the best interests of all.

There is the beginning of an accumulation of valuable information and expertise scattered about the country. Again, however, there is no central forum to encourage the development of ideologies, to compare the effectiveness of response actions, to exchange information, or to collect pertinent data.

The framework and context for this central response structure, is deliberately left nebulous, so as not to limit or inhibit any possibilities of form. The essence or core is, however, solid and substantive. I have included a synopsis of the basic "CARE" structure, which simplistically outlines the concept and the implementation steps.

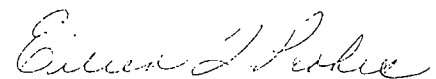
Like you, I am deeply concerned about the perilous condition of our planet. There is little I can do to remediate the "hard" side of the problem, but I have the experience and background to help those affected, and will be working earnestly to make that happen.

I would like to have the opportunity to discuss this urgent need with you, and the possibility of the inclusion of this concept into the new White House Office on Environmental Policy.

Although, I am taking your words slightly out of context, you have well expressed the "CARE" concept with, "It seems to make sense, therefore, to put in place a policy framework that will be ready to accommodate the worldwide demands for action when the magnitude of the threat becomes clear."

God bless you and your dedication to saving our world. Thank you for being exactly where you are at this critical time.

Respectfully,



Eileen F. Prokes

cc: Hamilton Fish, Jr., U. S. Representative  
Jerry D. Henderson, Manager, N. C. Environmental Affairs, DuPont  
Kathleen McGinty, Director, White House Office on Environmental Policy  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan, United States Senator  
Stephen M. Saland, New York State Senator  
Edgar S. Woolard, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, E. I. duPont de Nemours

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Chief Executive Officer  
Clean Earth, Inc.  
1710 West Fletcher Street  
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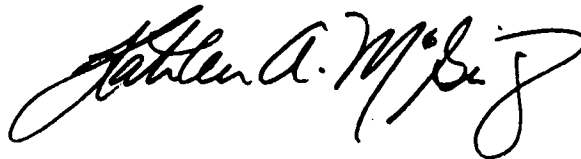
Dear Mr. Ponder:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your work at Clean Earth, Inc. and the copy of your Ecology Plan you enclosed. It was good to hear from you, and I apologize for the delay in my response.

As you know, I share President Clinton's commitment to the preservation of the environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. I certainly appreciate learning about your thoughts about the use of biomass to synthesize fuel, solvents, and plastic resins.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, White House Office on  
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People Around The World



Joining Hands



Environmental adviser to The President  
Vice President:

Katie McGinty:

Over the past two years Clean Earth Inc, has developed a plan which would serve many masters. First, it would provide our country with a means to improve the environment. Second, it would help alleviate unemployment. Third, it would provide the rationale for utilizing military bases instead of closing them. The enclosed Ecology Plan would be a positive new direction for all Military personnel plus a reason to maintain all Reserves. The Air force, Army, Navy, Engineers, Marines and National Guard can remain intact. They can provide security and assist in national emergencies and help stop man made pollution instead of releasing them into a jobless economy. We have thus provided an alternative to the military closing you are now faced with and concerned about.

The military can provide two functions; helping to renovate the country and protect it at the same time. A superior military force is important to the security of the United States and just as important, if not more so, is the country's economic strength. This economic strength is correlated with the efficient use and distribution of natural resources. Over the past 51 years our Interior Department has pursued a policy of RAPE concerning the United State's natural resources. The establishment of estuary areas and the subsequent wilderness areas that naturally develop will enhance the United States internal wealth. The enclosed literature shows that this biomass could, in a national emergency, be used to synthesize fuel, plastic resins, solvents, natural fiber for ropes and clothing plus many more products including motor lubricant oil, asphalt and extractions of alkaloids and aldehydes used in medicine production.

We feel that The Ecology Plan is clear enough, so that all, that is required is your acceptance and application from where ever you may be. However we will be happy to discuss with you the application of our plan in greater detail if you have the need at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully.

*J. E. Ponder*  
J. E. Ponder CEO

Global Environmental Technologies Inc. and Clean Earth inc.

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August 2, 1993

Ms. Nancy Petersen  
850-12 W. Fork Trout CR.  
Republic, WA 99166

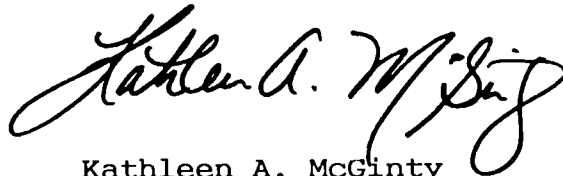
Dear Ms. Petersen:

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As you know, I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the preservation of our environment. In response to overwhelming interest on this issue, the Forest Service extended the public comment period on the administrative appeals process to last 45 days. I appreciate learning your thoughts about this matter.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

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May 23, 1993

Deputy Chief  
National Forest System  
USDA Forest Service  
P.O. Box 96090  
Washington, DC 20090-6090

RE: Appeals

Dear Chief:

Once again the Forest Service is trying to take away the rights of the public in managing public lands. Your proposed new rules on timber sale appeals is a disgrace and an embarrassment to a democratic form of government. Please withdraw the proposed changes and work toward strengthening the public's rights in managing our national forests.

Some key points:

- 1) Absolutely no sales should be exempt from public review.
- 2) The Forest Service must make decisions on all appeals.
- 3) There should be provisions for second level or discretionary review of all appeals.
- 4) All citizens who are involved early in the timber sale process or who specifically ask to be notified about timber projects should be notified by mail about all projects/sales.

Our national forests have been ruled by the timber companies for too long and the health of the forests is

suffering from it. Let's start looking  
at long term goals rather than short  
term profits.

Sincerely,

Nancy Petersen

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Republco, WA 99166

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M. Espy, USDA  
Sen. Patty Murray  
Sen. Slade Gorton  
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August 2, 1993

Ms. Donna Pritras  
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Tacoma, WA 98467

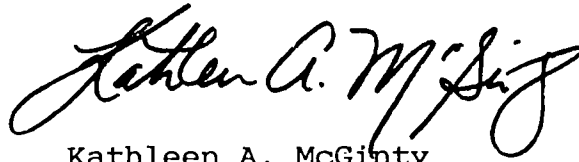
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Donna Pietras  
6421 So. Richard  
Tacoma WA 98467

May 19, 1993

Kathleen McInty  
Director, Office of  
Environmental Policy  
Room 360  
Old Executive Office Bldg.  
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Kathleen -

Just read the key points of Forest  
Services new rules on appeals. They are  
awful! Such a betrayal of Public  
trust and loss of Public being able to  
keep their public lands for their children,  
grandchildren. Once this forest is gone it  
is good and gone! Never to be replaced.

This you know - Thank you for your  
support of strengthening the appeals not letting  
Congress weaken the law.

Donna Pietras

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August 2, 1993

Mr. Mark Pullen  
P.O. Box 1954  
Chelan, WA 98816

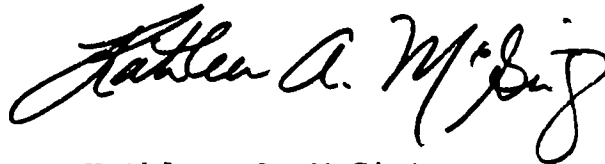
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Kathleen McGinty,

May 13 1993

Re: proposed rule modifying the Forest Service appeal process.

This time under the guise of streamlining the appeal process the Forest Service is again trying to limit the rights of citizens to participate fully in the management of our National Forests.

I know for a fact that limiting our right to participate will only end up slowing down the efficiency of Forest management and it will also end up costing the taxpayers.

A couple years ago our Forest Watch group filed an appeal against the Wenatchee Forest Plan's management of the Chelan District. The Forest Service flatly refused to address the issues we raised. Because we felt we were not being allowed to fully participate we filed a lawsuit against the Forest Service. After nearly a year of having timber sales stopped in our district and after great cost to the taxpayers the Forest Service has been forced to address the issues we raised. Putting this proposed rule change in the books will result in many more lawsuits.

Besides the general attempt by the Forest Service to use this rule change to weaken public process the proposed rule contains some serious flaws!

- ① The proposed rule allows the Forest Service to declare an emergency exempting sales from public review. This could potentially open the forests to abusive logging. The public would be forced to file a costly lawsuit.
- ② If a timber sale is appealed and the Forest Service does not make an appeal decision, the original decision stands and the logging can proceed. This removes the agency's accountability to the public because there would be no incentive for the Forest Service to decide the public appeals. This is what they tried to do to us and we sued.
- ③ The rule would eliminate the "mail box rule" which would further reduce the time available for preparation of comments.
- ④ The rule proposes to notify people only through legal notices in local papers and only at the beginning of the 30 day predecisional comment

period. I don't have the money to subscribe to all the newspapers that would be necessary to track timber sales. I depend on Forest Service mailings to keep me in touch with planned activities in my areas of interest.

- ⑤ The proposed rule provides only a 15 day comment period. This is far too short a time to do a quality response and possibly resolve complaints informally.
- ⑥ No provisions are made for a second-level or discretionary review of timber sale appeals, which are a critical component of current rules. When granted, these requests for further review usually get an appeal away from the affected Forest, facilitating a more objective review of the issues.

Instead of trying to evade compliance of the laws by re-writing the rules the Forest Service should put their focus on doing a quality job of managing our National Forests.

This proposed rule changed needs to be dropped.

Sincerely  
Mark Pullen

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CHELAN, WA 98816

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Secretary  
Kettle Range Conservation Group  
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Republic, WA 99166

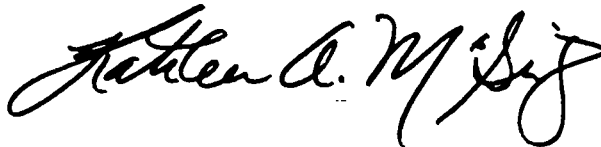
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Cc.  
*Kathleen McGivry*

Deputy Chief  
National Forest System  
USDA Forest Service  
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Washington D.C. 20090-6090

May 21, 1993

Dear Sir,

The Kettle Range Conservation Group (KRCG) would like to comment upon the proposed Forest Service Appeal Regulation changes. We believe that the proposed rules should be withdrawn, and substantially new changes to strengthen public participation should be included.

1. All resource extraction projects, including timber harvest, salvage sales, mining projects, and grazing should be subject to public accountability, including administrative appeals. Excluding salvage projects, so-called forest health projects or any other Forest Service decisions will only take the public out of the process and force both sides into costly litigation. Section 215.3 Subpart C, attempts to limit appeals of so called insignificant forest plan amendments. We find this is yet another loophole for the regional forester or forest supervisor to redefine parts of a Forest Plan to allow more logging or illegal roadbuilding. For example, Region 6 Forester John Lowe added a new definition of old growth to the Colville National Forest Plan which effectively eliminated most of the old-growth on the drier, western half of the Colville Forest. There was no notice, pre-decisional alternatives or appeal period - we consider this an illegal maneuver to open areas up to logging that were protected before the decision.

Section 215.4 would exclude certain decisions from notice, comment, and appeal that were considered an emergency situation or a natural disaster, by the deciding officer. First, there are probably few "natural" disasters on our National Forests. Decades of fire suppression, grazing, roadbuilding and taking out the best trees have left the forest at a higher than "natural" stress level. To allow continued mismanagement of our forests without any public notice or appeal makes no sense. The only emergency situation would involve a loss of life of residents near the forest/or the imminent extinction of a threatened or endangered species. Here in Eastern Washington,

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cutting down trees for "forest health reasons" is all the rage, but there is no consensus in the scientific community that the prescriptions are justified or appropriate. In fact, it is especially important that such contentious issues such as forest health and salvage logging be allowed the full range of public participation, including notice, pre-decisional review, and two levels of administrative appeal.

Limiting appeals to sales over 250,000 board feet (or 1 million board feet in the case of salvage) is not workable. We have seen the Okanogan National Forest separate sales to fall under the limit - this subverts public participation.

2. The second level of review should be continued, with more time to prepare the request for discretionary review, and the ability to submit new information in response to the transmittal record from deciding officer to second level. The KRCG has found that the review of decisions at the Forest Supervisor level is poorly done, and often overturned by the second level review. The second level of review could also provide an opportunity to for the public to review, and comment on the deciding officer's response to the appeal. We would like to see at least a 45 day appeal period on the initial decision, 60 days for EIS's and another 30 days for second level review. We also do not think that the proposed "pocket veto" that does not require a response by the reviewing officer in a stated period of time is a bad precedent and will discourage public participation on public land decisions. In fact, we believe that if the reviewing officer does not respond within 100 days upon receipt of an appeal the decision should be withdrawn. This would eliminate the frivolous timber sales that the Forest Service puts out in groups in an attempt to frustrate public participation.

3. The existing method of delivering appeals based on the postmark date is simpler and more reliable than the nebulous concept of being "filed". Many appellants are volunteer citizens who live in rural areas that have variable postal delivery service - we see no reason to make it harder for the public to participate in public lands decisions. Using the postmark dating is also consistent with the way most United States government and businesses conduct their business.

4. The projects should not go forward during the appeal period, and a reasonable time afterward to ensure that the

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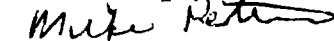
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merits of the appeal are evenly scrutinized. The record is that the majority of appeals have had merit and illegal decisions were either overturned or the sales withdrawn. This proves the necessity of not selling the timber sale to a buyer who may incur substantial costs while the appeal is decided.

5. Any new appeal rules should insure that interested parties who have participated in any aspect of planning a project be notified of the Decision by the Forest Service. Requiring the public to look through several newspapers for Forest Service decisions is not practical. For example, the geographic area that the Kettle Range Conservation Group is concerned with includes two national forests and would require examining 4 newspapers continually for Decisions. Three of those newspapers are not available in our area, even though the Decisions are located on public lands only a few miles away.

Sincerely,



Mike Petersen

Secretary, Kettle Range Conservation Group

cc: Secretary Mike Espy USDA, Kathleen McGinty, Director OEP

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August 17, 1993

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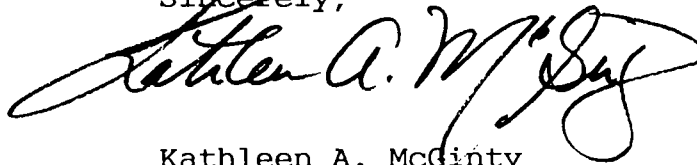
Dear Mr. Picard:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your efforts to establish the Irvine Environmental Learning Center.

As you know, I share President Clinton's commitment to the preservation of our environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. The President and I believe that the education of our nation's youth about the importance of conservation is essential. I appreciate learning about your work to increase the environmental awareness of our youth.

Again, thank you for sharing this information with me. I wish you much success in your future endeavors.

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Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, White House Office on  
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**E<sup>2</sup> ENVIRONMENTAL ENTERPRISES, INC.**

Ken, please edit this however you feel necessary.  
Thanks alot for quick response.  
John

Dear John,

I am quite excited to hear about the proposed Irvine Environmental Learning Center. As you know, this administration has a strong commitment to education and the environment, and is would very interested in a project of this caliber.

We feel that the development of an environmental learning center is very timely and would like to extend support from the Office on Environmental Policy. We would also like to compliment the IRWD for having the vision to understand the importance and need to educate our children with respect to the environment.

Please keep me informed on how we may be of further assistance.

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**E<sup>2</sup> ENVIRONMENTAL ENTERPRISES, INC.**

July 29, 1993

Ken Connolly  
White House Office on Environmental Policy  
Old Executive Office Building  
Room 360  
Wash. DC 20501

Dear Ken,

Here are a few brief notes on the Irvine Gardens Environmental Learning Center. As John Picard may have already told you, tonight the Irvine Board is meeting to review the project and to set the direction that it will take from this time forward. One of the key features that they need to help this project reach its full potential is support from both the public and private sector. We have already obtained strong support from private sector groups and are now seeking public sector support.

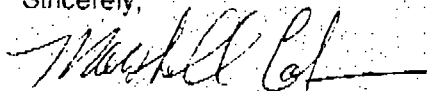
The Learning Center will be a world class facility devoted to education and research on environmental issues. The main focus of the project is environmental building and landscape design, but will also house facilities and personnel to test and develop environmental technologies and regulations.

The Irvine Company has provided 13 acres of prime real estate and is proceeding with design concept development at this time. Lawrence Halprin, one of the world's most distinguished environmental landscape architects, has been hired to develop the master plan concept along with John Picard of E<sup>2</sup> Environmental Enterprises, and a local architectural firm.

The Learning Center will be made available to educational and research institutions from elementary to the university level as well as the scientific community. The University of Irvine will have a permanent home there and involvement from such renowned facilities as the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratories is expected. The facility will contain gift shops, eating facilities, an outdoor amphitheater, meeting rooms for groups up to 300 people, a library, computer data base and satellite hookup capability, an authentic archeological site, a water treatment facility, and so on.

At this phase of the project we are only seeking statements of interest from outside organizations. If you believe that this project may be of some interest to your office, please contact me at your earliest convenience so that we may discuss it further.

Sincerely,



Marshall Coben  
E<sup>2</sup> Environmental Enterprises, Inc.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 12, 1993

Mr. Michael Pechner  
Golden West Meteorology  
914 Marietta Court  
Cordelia, CA 94585

Dear Mr. Pechner:

This is to notify you that Ms. Dee Dee Myers passed along your letter to me regarding the establishment of a National Clean-up America Day. I apologize for the delay in my response.

As you know, I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the preservation of our environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. I certainly appreciate learning your thoughts about the possibility of a Presidential environmental award. Unfortunately, we will not be able to take on additional Presidential awards at this time, but I appreciate your thoughts.

Again, thank you for sharing your ideas with me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kathleen A. McGinty".

Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, White House Office on  
Environmental Policy

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

May 12, 1993

Mr. Michael Pechner  
Golden West Meteorology  
914 Marietta Court  
Cordelia, CA 94585

Dear Mr. Pechner,

Thank you for taking the time to write and pass your ideas concerning a National Clean-Up America Day along to the White House Press Office. Input from Americans is invaluable to both the President and those of us on his staff.

Because we are always interested in the opinions of the American people, I have forwarded your letter along to Katie McGinty, Special Assistant to the President for the Environment. Hopefully, she will be able to reply to you soon.

Once again, thank you for your interest and the best to you and yours.

Sincerely,

Dee Dee Myers  
Press Secretary

# Golden West Meteorology

914 Marietta Court, Cordelia (Fairfield), California 94585  
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April 20th, 1993

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Gold Beach, Oregon

**STEVE PAULSEN**

Meteorologist  
KICU TV Channel 36  
San Jose, CA  
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Ms. Dee Dee Meyers  
White House Press Secretary  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Washington, D.C. 20150

Dear Ms. Meyers:

Knowing the President's commitment to the Environment, I have an idea which although not original nor unique, could unite the country, and at the same time make it a better place to live.

We should organize and create a National Clean-up America Day. The program could be administered at the local level by Public Works Departments, and organized and facilitated by all service organizations, i.e., Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis, local chamber of commerce, S.I.R. Soroptimist groups, Sierra Club, Audubon Society, Scouting, etc. On State and Federal Lands, the National Park Service or the Bureau of Land Management would be the lead agency. TV and Radio stations, and local merchants would also participate by providing free publicity and awards for the most trash collected.

The President could award "Environmental medals or awards" the best Town, City, State, and Federal land. It could be a yearly prize with competition fueling participation. This idea could be launched by a simple address or statement from the White House, or I could write to Senators Boxer and Feinstein, or Congressman Hamburg, and have legislation introduced to get it off the ground. This is something anybody could have started, even the Republicans however, since this is the dawn of a new era for us Democrats, it would be nice to see it happen, with the lead coming right from the White House. People would be proud to do it, with cities trying to outdo each other for the title of cleanest City or state.

I hope you will carry this personally to the President, because the participation by many people, working together, might solve other problems as well.

Sincerely Yours,

*Michael Pechner*

P.S. obviously I would participate, and be a leader in my neighborhood.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 17, 1993

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Parker  
521 North President Avenue  
Lancaster, PA 17603

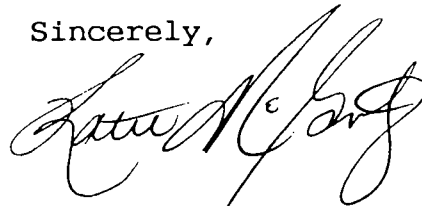
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Parker:

Please accept my heartfelt  
condolences on the death of your son. I  
am sure that he was much loved and will be  
greatly missed.

Although I did not have the pleasure  
of working with Ted directly, his work was  
highly praised to me. Ted's achievements  
in ornithology and his work in preserving  
biodiversity will keep him in our  
memories.

Again, my condolences.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, Office on  
Environmental Policy

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*He was a true leader & visionary.  
His contributions will long be  
remembered & appreciated.*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 18, 1993

Mrs. Marie Peterson  
4935 South Franklin Street  
Decatur, IL 62521

Dear Mrs. Peterson:

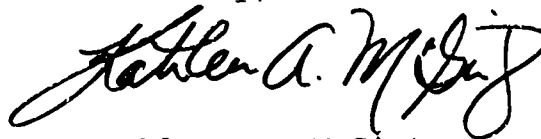
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I appreciate learning your concerns about the listing of ethanol under the Clean Air Act. Rest assured that this Administration will continue its efforts to promote clean-burning fuels.

Again, thank you for sharing this information with me.

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Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, White House Office on  
Environmental Policy

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Aug 4, 1993  
4935 So Franklin St #21.  
Alcatraz, St. 62521

Kathleen McSinty  
Deputy Director to the President  
Director, Office Environmental Policy  
Old Executive Office Building - Room 360  
17th St & Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, DC - 20500

Mrs. McSinty -

re - Ethanol & Clean Air Act

I believe ethanol should be allowed the same  
market access to the Clean Air Act as those industries  
as ethanol oxygenate methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE)

Ethanol is a rural economic stimulus that can  
reduce Federal spending.

In an unbiased study conducted with assistance  
of an air pollution agencies in Great Lakes Region,  
the Argonne National Laboratory with input  
from USEPA, it was found that ethanol is as good  
and possibly better than the oil industry's answer to  
Clean Air MTBE.

As an Illinois corn grower, I urge you to  
support ethanol, it is a renewable source, which  
benefits everyone -

Thank you.

Mrs. Mary Peterson

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 18, 1993

Mr. Donald Pellikan  
Woodland Acres  
P.O. Box 103174  
Grafton, IL 62037

Dear Mr. Pellikan:

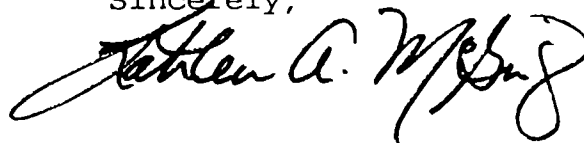
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Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, White House Office on  
Environmental Policy

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Staffon, 24  
Aug. 13, 1993

To

Mr. President Clinton  
Vice President Al Gore

I am writing asking you to please  
support the use of ethanol. It will  
help the Corn Farmers with more income  
Cleaner air, and most important reduce  
dependence on Foreign oil. How long  
can we depend on foreign oil.

Sincerely Yours  
Donald Pelliker

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 4, 1993

The Honorable J. J. Pickle  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

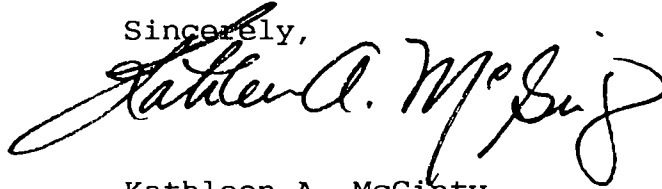
Dear Congressman Pickle:

Thank you for contacting me regarding Ms. Sandy Ponthieu's interest in working in the Office on Environmental Policy. It was good to hear from you.

Unfortunately, all staff positions are filled. However, Ms. Ponthieu's resume is impressive, and I will keep it on file should openings become available in the future.

I appreciate learning of Ms. Ponthieu's interest in working in my office.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, White House Office on  
Environmental Policy

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

J. J. PICKLE  
10TH DISTRICT, TEXAS

July 21, 1993

Honorable Kathleen A. McGinty  
Deputy Assistant To the President and Director  
Office On Environmental Policy  
360 Old Executive Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing to you today on behalf of a constituent of mine, Ms. Sandy Ponthieu, who is seeking an appointment with you to discuss an opportunity to work for Vice-President Gore's Office on Environmental Policy.

Currently serving as the Senior Environmental Specialist for National Sales Center at the Resolution Trust Corporation, Ms. Ponthieu has achieved a strong environmental and administrative background as an environmental attorney. Ms. Ponthieu has a particular expertise in issues involving pesticide use and control, EMF and lead. She has lectured throughout the State of Texas on dealing with commercial lands for the real estate and banking industries.

Ms. Ponthieu has mentioned in her letter to your office that she is interested in discussing with you the possibility of being detailed from the RTC to your staff. I believe Sandy Ponthieu has a sincere desire to serve the Office on Environmental Policy, and would be a valuable addition to your team. I respectfully request that you may find a small amount of your time to meet with Ms. Ponthieu to discuss any possibilities of future employment.

With appreciation for your time and assistance, I am

Sincerely,

  
J. J. PICKLE

JJP:rsm  
STAMPED  
cc: Ms. Sandy Ponthieu  
Mr. Bill Hawkins  
Col. and Mrs. Rudy Eichorn

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 3, 1993

Mr. Harry Powell  
615 Whitehead Street  
Key West, FL 33040

Dear Mr. Powell:

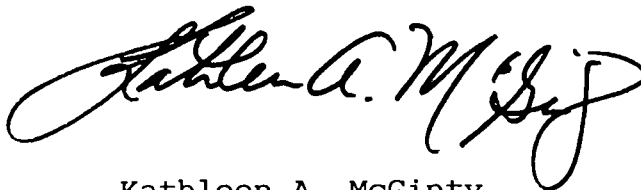
Thank you for contacting my office regarding the environmental impacts of the military housing project at Peary Court in Key West, Florida. I apologize for the delay in my response.

As you know, I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the preservation of our environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth.

I appreciate learning your thoughts about the environmental impacts of the military housing project at Peary Court in Key West, Florida.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, White House Office on  
Environmental Policy

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March 23 1993

Washington DC

Office of Environmental Policy  
Ms. Kathleen McGinty  
The White House  
Washington DC

Dear Ms. McGinty:

As requested, enclosed is a fact sheet about the controversial military housing project at Peary Court in Key West, Florida -- here is where to look for a painless budget cut!

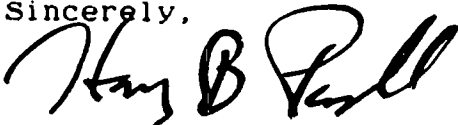
The need to proceed with this 14.4 million dollar project has never been justified. Key West Naval Air Station is now scheduled to lose 25% of its personnel and further cutbacks are anticipated at this training base.

Local opposition, legal challenges, and environmental concerns have delayed this undertaking for years. Funding expires in December 1993, but the Navy is intent on proceeding in spite of the above.

I urge you to look closely at the need, benefits, and consequences of proceeding with this project in light of the enclosed fact sheet and your need to save taxpayer money and reduce our deficit.

Funds for Navy Housing Project FA-17 at Peary Court in Key West should be rescinded or be sequestered as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Harry Powell  
615 Whitehead Street  
Key West, FL 33040  
Phone: (305) 294-9740  
Fax: (305) 292-4622

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> letter I've written about this project, but have included more information. How can you be serious about the Florida Keys Marine Sanctuary when the Navy will be allowed to pollute it with a pork barrel project like this? HBA

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 3, 1993

Mr. Ralph Prather, Jr.  
P.O. Box 175  
Altadena, CA 91003

Dear Mr. Prather:

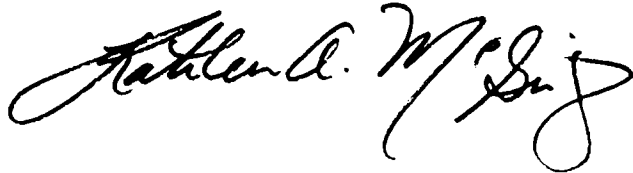
Thank you for contacting my office regarding an investigation of the city of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power facility. I apologize for the delay in my response.

As you know, I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to the preservation of our environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth.

I appreciate learning your thoughts about the city of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power facility. I am forwarding your information to Region IX of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for their review and response.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty  
Director, White House Office on  
Environmental Policy

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March 19, 1993

COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
ATTN: WHITEHOUSE ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER-MS. KATHLEEN MC GINTY  
722 JACKSON PLACE,  
N.W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

Dear Ms. Mc Ginty,

Enclosed are several zeroxed document's of an investigation, involving the city of Los Angeles Dept. of Water & Power facility located at 1630 N. Main Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. The investigation which commenced on approximately on November 13, 1989, involve's a hazardous waste violation issue.

As a D.W.P. Security officer at the Main Street yard from about April 28, 1987 through approximately September 1, 1990, I experienced many environmental vioaltion's as well as work-related state CAL/OSHA infraction's. In March 1992 approximately in accordance to the enclosed Los Angeles Fire Dept. Underground Tank Unit record's, it is noted D.W.P. at the Main Street yard had ground-water contamination problem's involving PCB's and mineral oil. Currently D.W.P. at the same geographical location suffer's from the contamination issue, and the L.A. City Fire Dept. Underground Tank Unit has requested through the D.W.P. Environmental & Governmental Affairs Manager Edward Karapetian to have the pipeline's removed from underground even though they are capped and not leaking anymore. D.W.P. commenced testing the underground area in approximately September 1989, with the D.W.P. contractor Earth Technology. D.W.P. currently still refuses to remove the pipeline's, knowing full well their are approximately 5,000 housing resident's who live in the closest proximity to the Main Street yard. Mr. Karapetian's business telephone is (213) 481-3250. Ms. Mc Ginty how do you order a billion dollar governmental agency to conform to federal (CFR) and state environmental law.?

A second issue is in approximately October 1992 it was confirmed by state licensed toxicologist Dr. James Cone in Berkeley, Calif, and PhD. Rosemarie Bowler that I have neuro-toxic injuries due to the work-related environment of the Main Street yard involving Building's #16 (Mechanical Repair Service), #9 (Electrical Repair Service), #3 (Store's Warehouse), and the Hazardous Waste Shed. Currently the Hazardous Waste Shed is operating at Main Street with the leagal paperwork, and no physical inspection has taken place since before the RCRA permit expired on August 19, 1988. How can D.W.P. operate their Hazardous Waste site, without any monitoring regulation's.?

Please respond on the above environmental issue's at you earliest convenience.

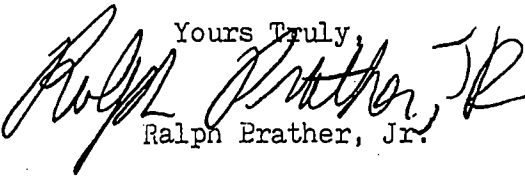
My home telephone number is (310) 798-4674, and after 3:00 P.M. at work at (213) 367-7079.

My home mailing address is: Ralph Prather, Jr.  
P.O. BOX 175,  
ALTADENA, CA 91003-0175

Your efforts in this matter are most appreciated. Thank you, very much.

March 19, 1993

Yours Truly,

  
Ralph Brather, Jr.

June 22, 1993

WHITEHOUSE

ATTN: WHITEHOUSE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY OFFICER-MS. LATHEEN MC GINTY  
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVE.  
N. W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Mc Ginty,

Recently, the earlier part of this year I mailed a letter certified included with some document's to the business address of: COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, 722 JACKSON PLACE, N.W. WASHINGTON D.C. 20503, and directed this document to you. I have yet to receive a response on the issue's I raised. These issue's are my neuro-toxic work-related injuries due to toxic chemical exposure. This exposure involved the city of Los Angeles Dept. of Water & Power yard located at 1630 N. Main Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, where I worked from 1987 through 1990.

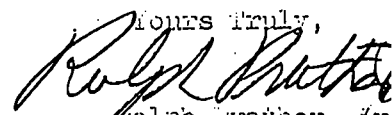
The second issue is ground-water-contamination of PCB's and mineral at the same above mentioned location. A sub-issue of this is the fact D.W.P. refuses to remove the underground pipeline's, which have been abandoned, but still may pose a threat to the environment by way of continual leakage. Please read the "Preliminary Assessment" report dated April 22, 1993 by the U.S.E.P.A. Region #9 Site Evaluation Section Work Assignment Manager Rachel Loftin.

Please read also the enclosed letter dated June 22, 1993 to U.S. E.P.A. Region #9 TOXICS MANAGEMENT SECTION, Acting Section Chief-Woodbeck pertaining to case development of the Main Street yard for possible civil penalties due to PCB violation's under CFR. Title 40. The Main Street yard was previously civillyfined in the year 1986, along with nine other yard's for similiar violation's. Because Mr. Woodbeck's office was reduced over ninety percent, this case development may never take place, regarding the Main Street yard, so I'am asking for your support in this matter.

It is bad enough that several thousand resident's live in the closest proximity to the Main Street and Leroy Street, but concealment of enviromenal danger and public health endangerment are serious concern's.

My name is Ralph Prather, Jr. My mailing address is P.O. B-X 175, ALTADENA, CA 91003-0175. My home telephone is (310) 778-4674, and after 3:00 P.M. at work at (213) 367-7079.

Your efforts in this matter are most appreciated. Thank you very much.

Yours Truly,  
  
Ralph Prather, Jr.