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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 2, 1993

Mr. Timothy R. Titus
Acting Director, U.S. Asia
Environmental Partnership
U.S. Agency for International
Development
320 Twenty-First Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20523

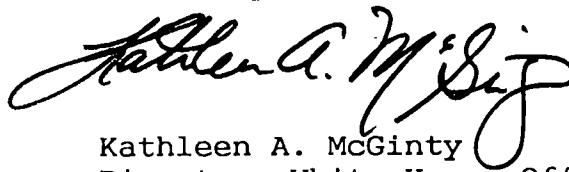
Dear Mr. Titus:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your work at U.S. AID on the potential benefits and implications of an environmental partnership between the U.S. and Asia. I appreciated meeting with you last month.

I certainly appreciated the information you provided on this very important matter. As you know, my office is working to set up a briefing for other members of the Administration on USAEP. Because I will be travelling much of August, we will try to have the meeting in early September. I hope you will continue to keep me apprised of your work in the mean time.

Again, thank you for letting me hear from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kathleen A. McGinty". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kathleen" and last name "McGinty" clearly legible.

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

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U.S. AGENCY FOR
INTERNATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT

Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director,
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building - Room 360
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Jeff Eppink, our 1993 AAAS fellow, working on the United States-Asia Environmental Partnership (US-AEP) suggested I get in touch with you about the status and results of our program.

In the short time of our existence we have accomplished quite a lot. Paradoxically, we have been seen as moving too fast for our government partners, but too slowly for our environmental business customers. But what we have done is impressive. Attached is an excerpt from our soon to be published annual report that highlights some of those results.

I like to talk about this program as doing good by doing well -- in short -- solving environmental problems in Asia with goods, services, and know-how made in America, thereby strengthening the competitiveness of the U.S. environmental sector.

I would welcome a chance to brief you on the scope and progress of our program. I will call your office next week to see if there is a convenient time for us to meet with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Timothy R. Titus". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'T'.

Timothy R. Titus
Acting, Director
United States Asia
Environmental Partnership

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 12, 1993

Dr. Andy Turner
Assistant Secretary, Nature
Conservation Branch
Department of the Arts, Sport, the
Environment, & Territories
G.P.O. Box 787
Canberra, 2601
Australia

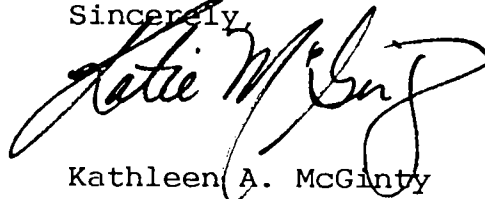
Dear Dr. Turner:

Thank you for the lovely posters
depicting Australia's diverse natural
resources. It was good to hear from you.

I appreciate all you are doing in
Australia and look forward to the
possibility of working together in the
future.

Again, thank you.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, Office on
Environmental Policy

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 16, 1993

Ms. Dina Tedeschi
40 Normandy Drive
Northport, NY 11968

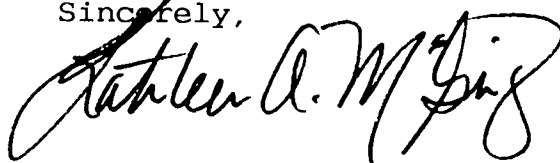
Dear Ms. Tedeschi:

Thank you for contacting me regarding the Council on Environmental Policy (CEQ) and its role in the Federal Government.

I understand your perspective on this issue. However, the President, Vice President and I believe that the White House Office on Environmental Policy will provide a more effective means of policy making and implementation at the highest level of the Administration. We are confident that this office will work cooperatively with the new Department of Environment to address the important NEPA issues that you raise.

Again, I appreciate hearing your concerns on this matter.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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40 Normandy Drive
Portsmouth, N.H. 03801
July 11, 1993

Mark Green
Deputy Chief of Staff
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Deputy Chief Green;

As a member
of the Center for Marine Conservation,
I am quite for nature's protection,
and that includes human
beings. I wish to express to you
my strong appreciation to any plan
to abolish the Council on
Environmental Quality. This is a
crucial part of our "American -
Democratic" system, as is it.
Please approve this plan of
abolishment of our, the people,
Council on Environmental Quality.
I find this plan to be very

beneficial to the American
public.

Please consider what
has been said. Thank you
for your time.

Sincerely,

M. Rena Gidycz

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 3, 1993

Dr. Donald W. Thomack
Commercial Sweeper Systems, Inc.
2338 East Calumet Street
Centralia, IL 62801

Dear Dr. Thomack:

Thank you for contacting my office regarding your work on a machine which will sweep flat surfaces. 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 about your work in this regard. Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
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COMMERCIAL SWEEPER SYSTEMS, INC.
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May 4, 1993

Attn: Ms. Katy McGinty
Office of the Vice President
of the United States
360 Old Executive Office Blvd.
Washington, DC 20501

In October of 1990, Kenneth Wilkerson, owner of Wilkerson Rail Transfer, Centralia Illinois called me, Dr. Donald Thomack, a physicist and engineer, with the suggestion that we pool our physical and mental abilities to create a system of helping to clean our environment. The system was to have two primary objectives. One was to help clean our water and the other was to help clean our air to help meet Federal Regulations.

Our objectives then were to design a machine to sweep flat surfaces to meet the following criteria: dustless, waterless, any-temperature, complete pick-up of debris under 3" diameter and capable of mechanical filtering of massive amounts of air to below PM¹⁰ equivalency.

We succeeded. We have built prototypes and tested them in the worst conditions. These include roadways covered by an inch of coal dust and chunks at coal fired power generation plants, soda ash and fly ash on surface roads at mines, roads at toxic waste dumps and mills, on highways behind asphalt chippers as well as on urban streets. All such sites have resulted in immediately clean surfaces, complete elimination of traffic generated fugitive dust and filtering of 900,000 cubic feet of air per hour to 4 micron cleanliness. We performed these tests at temperatures varying from - 20°F to 100°F.

To appreciate the differences between the performance of our prototypes as compared to the market available equipment note the following facts.

- 1) Present equipment, if they attempt to control dust while sweeping, all use water spray. When sufficient water is used to actually suppress the created dust, a trail of mud is left on the surface to dry and be blown off by traffic or washed into storm systems by ensuing rain.

- 2) Water usage to suppress dust limits cleaning operations to roughly 7 to 8 months in much of the country due to sub-freezing temperatures.
- 3) No other sweeper filters ANY of the used air. Some use a partial centrifuge and some re-use their air, but these blow out considerable dust when transversing irregular areas such as pot holes and broken surfaces even while using water spray.
- 4) Product design and production engineers as well as field representatives and equipment dealers for the largest sweeper manufacturer in the U.S. that also imports foreign made units under their own name, have seen our prototype operating and have verified by letter that our technology is greatly advanced over theirs, and that their equipment addresses the clean water act only and in no way addresses the clean air regulations!

During our initial phase, Mr. Wilkerson formed Commercial Sweeper Systems, Inc. as a wholly owned subsidiary of Wilkerson Rail Transfer. This separated the sweeper effort from our other business in all ways except funding. We have spent 2½ years and \$750,000 designing and building the two flat surface sweeper - air cleaning prototypes, with \$400,000 of that amount as debt.

This leaves us with considerable debt service and insufficient funds to refine those things effecting noise suppression, overall appearance, acquire adequate blue prints and set up manufacturing.

Rumors have suggested to us that there may be funding available to help us to these ends. Pursuant to that, we are asking you to give us whatever input you may have regarding procedures, forms, eligibility and the like.

Thank-you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Donald Thomack PhD". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Dr. Donald W. Thomack, PhD.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 3, 1993

Ms. M. Brook Tice
P.O. Box 2613
Santa Barbara, CA 93120

Dear Ms. Tice:

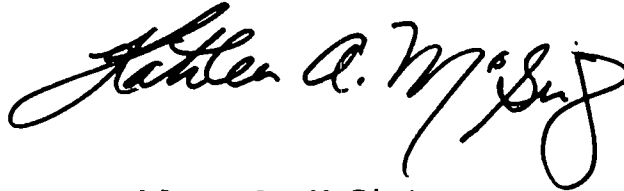
Thank you for contacting my office regarding the use of desert and federal lands for camping with motor homes. I apologize for the delay in my response.

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 use of desert and federal lands for camping with motor homes. I am forwarding your information to the Bureau of Land Management 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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President BILL CLINTON
The White House
Washington D.C.

March 16, 1993

M. Brook Tice
Post Box 2613
Santa Barbara CA 93120

President Bill Clinton, Sir:

Can you please help ease the burden on the backs of the "homeless" living in motor houses by at least giving them the right to camp peaceably and cleanly in the deserts for the winters? I have witnessed the BLM (Bureau of Land Management in Arizona) ask whole families to leave and move on down the roads while camped in the deserts and doing the best they can. One family had eight kids and kept a very clean camp and clean kids. The "homeless" people who live in vans and campers do so because they cannot afford rent.

Some homeless who live on the roads need to be able to camp in camping areas on BLM land close to towns to be able to earn money and get supplies. But in the last months I have seen whole families that kept clean camps and clean kids ordered to "move on" by the BLM officials (Quantzsite & Ehrenberg AZ) even although they were already forced out of towns and into the deserts. I was amazed! It's discriminating. It is very sad to see homeless people being pushed around like cattle!

I know you are very busy and have a lot to do. Good Luck! I was happy to vote for you. THANK YOU and GOOD LUCK on trying to restore this broken country. Please ease the pressure on the homeless by removing some hard laws that take the land from the people!

Thanking You! Peace!
M. Brook Tice