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July 7, 1993

Ms. Bonnie Phillips-Howard
Conservation Chair
Pilchuck Audubon Society
7207 Lakewood Road
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Dear Ms. Phillips-Howard:

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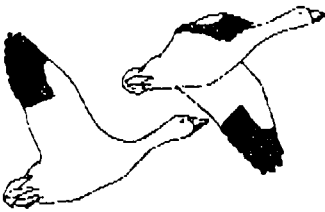
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Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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

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Pilchuck Audubon Society

7207 Lakewood Road, Stanwood, WA 98292

June 16, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Mr. Tom Collier
Chief of Staff, Department of Interior
Mr. Jim Lyons
Assistant Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment
Department of Agriculture

Dear Ms. McGinty, Mr. Collier and Mr. Lyons:

President Clinton said at the Forest Conference: "I can't repeal the laws of change." However, his staff appears to think that going backwards instead of forwards will help the environment and help the communities.

The Option 9 Plan will increase anger, continue to polarize the communities, and kill salmon, owls, murrelets, grizzly bears, wolves--in short we will end up with unhealthy forests, and war in the woods will escalate.

I have drafted and redrafted this letter, but my own anger at you has gotten in the way of my writing a reasonable, sensible and polite letter. Let me give you an example of what is happening on my Forest, the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, the "urban" forest of the Puget Sound.

Two years ago the Forest Supervisor decided to no longer log old growth, and to direct the Districts to plan up to 20 million board feet of commercial thinning sales. The communities, including Darrington, the only "timber dependent" community on the MBS, have adjusted. The timber shops at the District level were closed. The Forest down-sized. Our Audubon chapter has been working with the Forest on a model watershed restoration and Eyes on Wildlife program. Polarization is ending, and although relations are hardly ideal, everyone is adjusting, in many cases has adjusted. Now along comes your plan WHICH INCREASES THE CUT BEYOND WHAT THE MT. BAKER-SNOQUALMIE NATIONAL FOREST PROMISED THE PEOPLE OF THE PUGET SOUND!! And the "adaptive management zones" in areas which are most severely devastated, are most necessary for owls, murrelets, contain the most endangered fish runs on the Forest--are nothing but pandering to timber-dependent communities. WE HAD SMALLER CUTS UNDER PRESIDENT BUSH THAN WE WILL UNDER PRESIDENT CLINTON!

We went out on the ground with the Forest Service 10 days ago to review their thinning sales. They have no idea what they are doing. I am enclosing a copy of a letter written by Conservation Biologist Evan Frost in response to the field trip. And the Darrington Ranger District thinks it is on the leading edge of change in Washington State. During the Section 318 Advisory Board process, I watched moderate, reasonable environmentalists turn into flaming, angry radicals.

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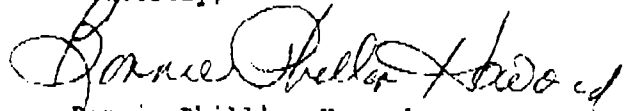
I was at a state-wide environmental meeting this past weekend. The topic was on state issues, and not Ancient Forest issues. This was a group of super-moderate, one could say conservative groups who discussed, for the first time in their lives, feeling so angry that they talked in war terms.

There is no sense in delineating what needs to be done. You've heard it a number of times. Can you really be thinking of rewarding the Forest Service by allowing them to continue to break the law? Do you really think that turning the entire Pacific Northwest into an experimental forest will help the President you are serving?

Option 9 will mean that at the end of President Clinton's term, he will leave a legacy of bitterness behind. Communities can adjust. The forest cannot. You can push through a plan which does not work for the Forest--but the land does not lie.

Please rethink where you are going--and where you are leading the President--before it's too late.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bonnie Phillips-Howard".

Bonnie Phillips-Howard
Conservation Chair

July 7, 1993

Mr. Howard F. Pierce
P.O. Box 1420
Hayfork, CA 96041

Dear Mr. Pierce:

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Sincerely,

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

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June 14, 1993

Ms. Katie Mc Ginty

Deputy Assistant to the President.

Dear Friend -

Please support the local timber/environmentalist Coalition proposal for the Shasta Trinity National Forest to rehabilitate the forest by tree thinning and fire fuel reduction, road rehabilitation and fisheries restoration joined together with the Forest and Watershed Training and Research Center. This proposal was submitted May 20, 1993 to Tom Truckman, special assistant to the secretary of the interior. I live in the forest area of Trinity County. The forest needs our help! While I am retired, there are many people here who need work.

Sincerely

Howard F. Pierce

Box 1420

HAYFORK, CA

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July 7, 1993

Mr. Douglas Pann
2115 N. Church St.
Rockford, IL

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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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June 24, 1993

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ector, Office of Environmental Policy
m 360, Old Executive Office Building
hington, DC 20501

r Ma'am:

is important to the future of the planet and the quality
life that we leave for our children to protest the remaining
e percent of our rain forests and other natural resources.
hough you may not have much control over our rain forests,
have an abundance of wild timber in this country that is
ng stripped from that land everyday. To protect this
uable national resource you must personally take action
achieve the following goals:

1) stop the cutting of all native , ancient forests
ediately, and encourage legislation to further protect them.

2) Ban the export of these products.

3) Support ecosystem based protection.

4) Reduce paper and wood consumption.

may sound to you that these ideas were given to me through
reenpeace newsletter, which they were. However, I did
e the time to write you this myself as i am sure you
tell by the typing. I would appreciate your attention
this letter and the others you receive on a daily basis.

ook forward to hearing form you about your actions on these
ues.

cerely.

glas Pann
5 N. Church St.
kford, IL

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Suzanne Pardee
17530 10th Avenue, N.W.
Seattle, WA 98117

Dear Ms. Pardee:

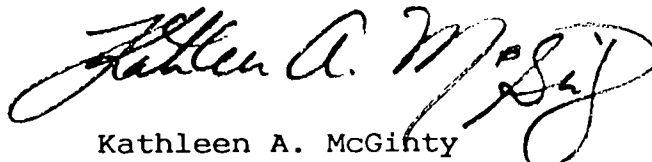
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Ancient forest devastation in the Olympic National Forest, Washington.

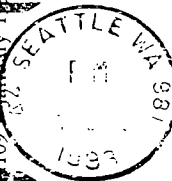
The ancient forests of Washington, Oregon and California have been relentlessly logged. Over 90 percent of these once-vast and complex ecosystems have been replaced by a wasteland of clearcuts, reduced to tree farms or lost forever to development. What little remains in our national forests must be permanently protected.

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Forests don't need "ecosystem management"
Forests need preservation. Human greed &
stupidity need management.

Permanently protect all remaining virgin
forests from all exploitation, whether logging,
mining, grazing etc. Eastside "salvage" is a
lie. Preserve ancient forests on both public
& private land. No more raw & minimally
processed exports. Permanent protection for
all roadless areas. Promote alternative fibers
- Suzanne Pardee 17530 10th Ave NW Sea, WA 98177

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Katie McGurty
Director, Office of Enviro. Policy
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Washington, DC 20501

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. and Ms. Warren and Ruth Peterson
2113 East 37th Avenue
Spokane, WA 99203

Dear Mr. and Ms. Peterson:

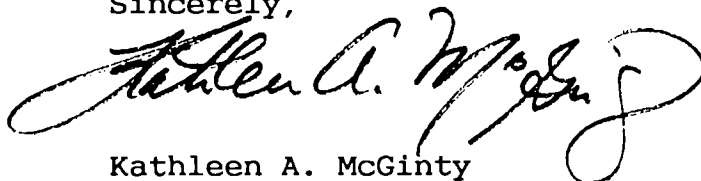
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WARREN S. PETERSON

2113 East 37th Avenue
Spokane, Washington 99203
509-535-8558 Fax 509-535-0297

June 18, 1993

Kathleen McGinty, Director
Environmental Policy
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Today's Spokane Spokesman-Review has a definitive article on Option 9, your preferred plan for continued logging in our Old Growth and other national forests, both coastal and East Side. This is the most dismaying news! This is politics as usual. We had hoped for much better. We had been assured, during the campaign for the Presidency, that the new Administration would construct a solution to the forest dilemma which would be "scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible." Option 9 is none of these. Adoption of Option 9 means business as usual. "Front loading" a ten year harvest will be especially devastating.

Our forests have been mismanaged and overcut for years. It is almost more than we can believe that these bad logging practices and ecological destruction are going to continue under the guidance of you and the President and Vice-President.



Warren S. and Ruth S. Peterson

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Joan Penniston
4955 N. Calle Bendita
Tuscon, AZ 85718

Dear Ms. Penniston:

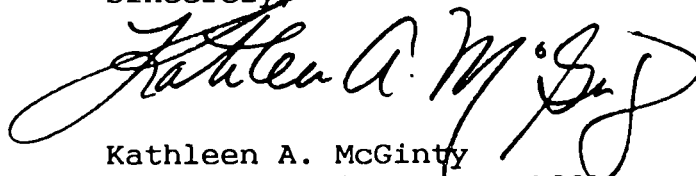
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
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Joan Penniston
4955 N. Calle Bendita
Tucson Az. 85718

I have heard that President Clinton
is under intense pressure by the timber
industry to allow further cutting of
our Ancient Forest. PLEASE DON'T
GIVE IN. Once these ancient
forest are cut they will never be the
same.

Please - discard option #9

- create reserves where no
logging is permitted

Sincerely,
Joan Penniston

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Dr. Grace V. Palazzolo
Science and Technology Studies
Cornell University
726 Universtiy Avenue
Ithaca, NY 14850

Dear Dr. Palazzolo:

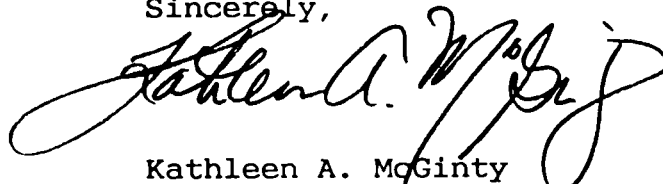
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15 June 1993

Kathleen McGinty
Director of the Office on Environmental Policy
Room 358
Old Executive Office Building
Seventeenth Street & Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Thank you for your reassuring letter of 6 May 1993.

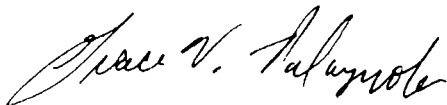
I already knew that at the Portland conference Mr. Clinton had directed the Cabinet to develop a plan to end this crisis within sixty days. I reiterate my urging that the forthcoming ancient forest plan do the following:

- Save all remaining ancient forests in the Pacific Northwest.
- Protect the ancient forests east of the Cascades Mountain Range.
- Set strict standards for adherence to all environmental laws and court orders.
- Reduce the export of raw logs.

In your letter, you wrote that the Planning Team would give every consideration to my concerns as you moved forward in this very important matter. As more than a month has passed since your last correspondence, I would like to know how you have progressed and how your plan will address the issues I have raised in this and in my April letter.

I commend the President, the Vice President, and the Forest Conference Planning Team for their leadership and commitment thus far to finding a solution to the ancient forest crisis in the Pacific Northwest. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,



Grace V. Palazzolo

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Sandra S. Phillips
1753 D Regal Court
Louisville, CO 80027

Dear Ms. Phillips:

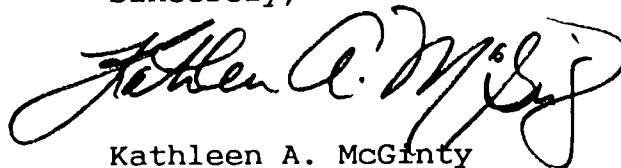
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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June 21, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty,

The planning that is now taking place may be our last best chance for protecting some of the oldest and most beautiful trees in the world--our ancient forests.

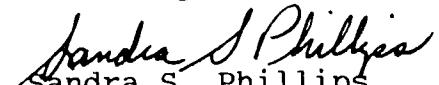
The timber companies have the idea of take the big trees now and don't worry about the future of the fish and wildlife...don't worry about the future of the timber workers when the big trees are gone...don't worry about the fishing industry that is already affected by logging related activities.

A successful plan for Pacific Northwest forest protection should:

1. provide permanent protection of the entire ancient forest ecosystem. This administration's work should be protected from succeeding administrations through permanent reserves that cover forests on the east, as well as the west side of the Cascade Mountains.
2. give access by citizens to the courts to contest illegal management that threatens wildlife and the environment. Even a good plan will not work if federal agencies continue to mismanage forests.
3. allow for protection and restoration of watersheds. The plan needs to recognize the importance of ancient forests to clean water and fisheries in the Pacific Northwest. Fishing is also an important industry. Restoring damaged watersheds to ecological health will also provide employment in communities where logging is on the decline.
4. severely limit log exports. Raw, unprocessed logs shipped from Northwest forests steal jobs from domestic mills. Allowing exports of finished wood products only would create new rural jobs and soften the impact of old-growth logging restrictions.
5. economic assistance and investment opportunities need to be provided to rural fish and timber related communities in the Northwest.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Sincerely,


Sandra S. Phillips
1753 D Regal Court
Louisville, CO 80027

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Carolyn Prentiss
996 Oak Street
Ashland, OR 97520

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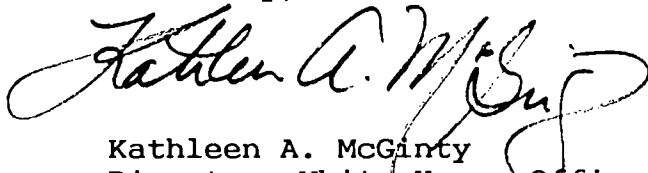
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996 Oak Street
Ashland, OR 97520

June 30, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360 Old Executive Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

During the recent widely publicized Northwest Forest Conference, President Clinton pledged to craft a forest plan that would be "scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible." In response, an Ecosystem Management Assessment team was created to come up with options to protect the remaining ancient forest ecosystems while mitigating short-term job loss.

Unfortunately, special interests have reportedly been mounting a major campaign to divert the result away from a sustained yield plan which would comply with existing law while protecting this resource. They are pushing fixed numbers (such as 2.5 billion board feet), regardless of its impact on the forests.

This approach is short-sighted in terms of timber industry jobs and would ignore fishery, forest and habitat protection and rehabilitation. These are the policies of the past that have given us the barren and eroding hillsides throughout the Northwest.

One of the most important principles is that of *sustained yield*. Regardless of what other practices are in effect, neither the health of the ecosystem, nor of the economy, can long endure the kind of harvest practices that have been followed up to now.

Please put the protection of these systems ahead of the short term "timber-mining" interests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn Prentiss". The signature is fluid and matches the printed name below it.

Carolyn Prentiss

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. James R. Peterson
Vice President
Greenfield Lumber Company
12700 Greenfield
Detroit, MI 48227

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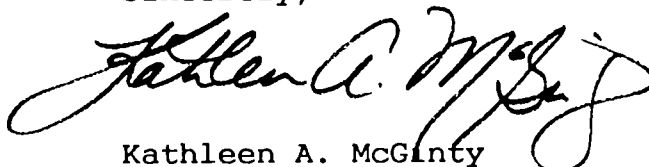
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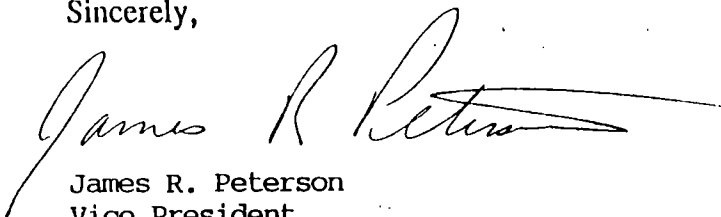
Dear Ms. Katie McGinty, White House Office Of Environmental Policy

I own Greenfield Lumber Co. which employs 15 employees in Detroit, Michigan. I am writing to you out of a serious concern for myself, my employees and my customers. Today we are in desperate need of an adequate sustainable timber supply. We all saw the impact of an artificially constrained timber supply with the skyrocketing lumber prices this past spring. If what I have heard about the administration's proposed solution to the timber crisis is correct, those prices were but a harbinger of what will surely come.

It is my understanding that the President will shortly recommend the adoption of "Option 9" as his preferred solution to the current gridlock in the Pacific Northwest. "Option 9" would reduce harvest levels on federal forest lands in the affected region to an average of 1.2 billion board feet. This is down from the historic level of 5.2 billion board feet. In addition it would cost over 85,000 direct and indirect jobs in the region as well as tens of thousands more construction jobs throughout the United States and dramatically affect lumber prices, risking the fragile recovery of the nation's economy.

When President Clinton convened the Forest Summit in April he promised to find a solution. I never dreamed his recommendation would be to suggest a harvest level lower than any figures proposed last year by the preservationists. I implore you to urge the President not to adopt "Option 9".

Sincerely,



James R. Peterson
Vice President
Greenfield Lumber Company
12700 Greenfield
Detroit, Michigan 48227

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Ms. Karen Proehl
304 Garces Drive
San Francisco, CA 94132

Dear Ms. Proehl:

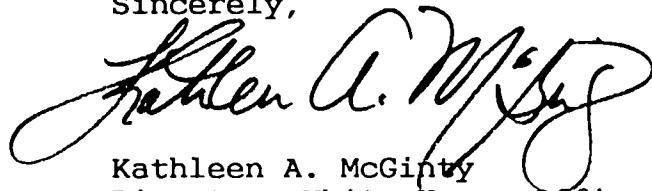
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

Dear Katie McGinty, Deputy Assistant to the President,

I am writing to ask that when you review "Option Number Nine" concerning our nation's forests, you do so with great scrutiny. Although I do not know the details, I would like to ask that you consider it **if and only if** it creates permanent ancient forest reserves where logging is not permitted, it obeys current environmental laws, and if it does not have "sufficiency" language.

Being a Biology major at San Francisco State University (concentrating in Ecology), I realize how important it is to have a scientists' opinion and scientific evidence from more than one or two sources. I hope you have consulted with wildlife biologists and ecologists on this matter. I would hate to see our environment be neglected like our government seems to have done in the past, and I would hate to see our forests be chopped down because the timber industry won't make a profit otherwise and/or we cannot think of alternatives.

President Clinton has already given his support on maintaining and preserving the environment including the forests we have left. I'm asking you to consider the above when making a decision that deals with our national forests; hopefully, it will help you make the right decision for our country and its precious land. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Karen Proehl

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 13, 1993

Mr. Peter F. Pfaelzer
2220 Ward Street
Berkeley, CA 94705

Dear Mr. Pfaelzer:

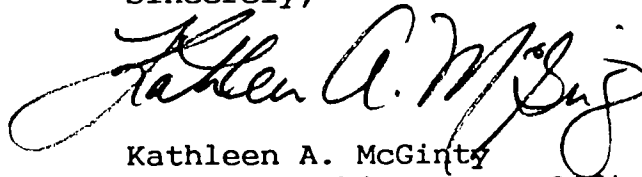
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl

Peter F. Pfaelzer
2220 Ward Street
Berkeley, CA 94705

June 30, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360 Old Executive Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

During the recent widely publicized Northwest Forest Conference, President Clinton pledged to craft a forest plan that would be "scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible." In response, an Ecosystem Management Assessment team was created to come up with options to protect the remaining ancient forest ecosystems while mitigating short-term job loss.

Unfortunately, special interests have reportedly been mounting a major campaign to divert the result away from a sustained yield plan which would comply with existing law while protecting this resource. They are pushing fixed numbers (such as 2.5 billion board feet), regardless of its impact on the forests.

This approach is short-sighted in terms of timber industry jobs and would ignore fishery, forest and habitat protection and rehabilitation. These are the policies of the past that have given us the barren and eroding hillsides throughout the Northwest.

One of the most important principles is that of *sustained yield*. Regardless of what other practices are in effect, neither the health of the ecosystem, nor of the economy, can long endure the kind of harvest practices that have been followed up to now.

Please put the protection of these systems ahead of the short term "timber-mining" interests.

Sincerely,

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Peter F. Pfaelzer

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 1993

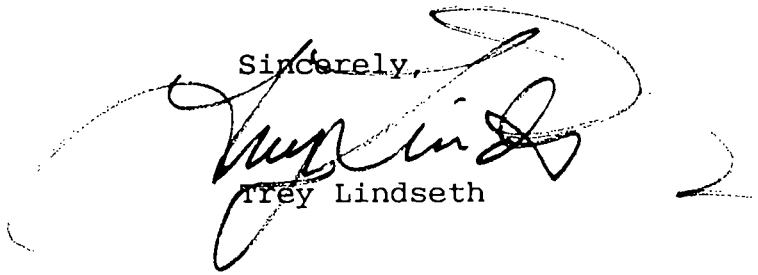
Mr. Joseph A. Petrick
Department of Management
Wright State University
Dayton, OH 45435

Dear Mr. Petrick:

Enclosed is the information that you requested from the Office on Environmental Policy concerning the Administration's recent environmental policy announcements.

The hazardous waste management issues that you specifically requested are not readily available through our office. To obtain information on these areas, you might try contacting the Environmental Protection Agency directly and inquiring about any recent policy publications and testimony before Congress.

Sincerely,



Trey Lindseth

enclosure



**Wright State
University**

Department of Management
Dayton, Ohio 45435
513/873-2290
FAX 513/873-3545

May 18, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building, Room 358
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I enjoyed our recent telephone conversation and I am following up with a formal request as you recommended. As a management faculty member and business researcher interested in enhancing business-government partnerships with respect to national environmental management, I would be very interested in any recent Clinton-Gore statements on environmental policy. I am specifically interested in hazardous waste management issues, but I would also benefit from any in-depth environmental papers or research reports that provide more updated detail than vice President Gore's Earth In The Balance. If you have anything like a bibliographical list of references that support the Clinton-Gore environmental policy, this would also be very helpful.

Thank you for your assistance.

Joseph A. Petrick

Joseph A. Petrick, Ph.D., MBA, SPHR, RODP
Assistant Professor of Management

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- EPA testimony before
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 1993

Mr. Timothy E. Poston
The Russian Connection, Inc.
839 E. Jackson Street
Suite A
Medford, OR 97504

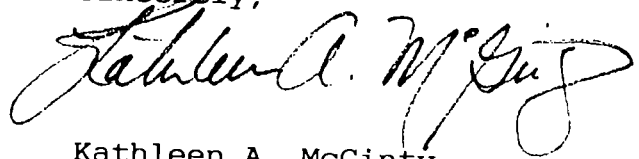
Dear Mr. Poston:

Thank you for your letter and the information you enclosed regarding your work in establishing business relations between the U.S. and Russia. 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 appreciate learning of your efforts to provide information about possible business opportunities in the former Soviet Union.

Again, thank you for sharing this information with me.

Sincerely,



Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, Office on
Environmental Policy

KAM/avl



Ms. Katie McGinty
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building, Room 358
Washington D.C. 20501

May 12, 1993

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am writing to you now to tell you a little about The Russian Connection, Inc. and its available services and resources. In no way do these pages tell our whole story or explain everything that we would like to look into concerning business relations between the U.S. and Russia. Yet, this will give you some idea of what our interests are.

The Russian Connection, Inc. brings together the strengths and worldwide expertise of several successful corporations: Gold Nuggets, Cyber-Rom Technologies, Mammoth Trading Alliance, Carolina, Russian Gold Nuggets, Pacific Dawn Trading, and Gateway America, coupled with the market knowledge of Thomas J. Hice CPA, a leading accounting and Russian management consultancy firm located in America's Northwest.

The formation of three joint ventures, Gold Nuggets', Carolina's, and Mammoth Trading Alliance's significantly expands the capability of The Russian Connection to provide to clients, both western and local, direct access in the former USSR to expertise on marketing/ sales, accounting, legal, culture, and commercial issues which arise for companies entering or trading in this challenging and profitable environment.

Ever since new opportunities began to emerge in what is now known as The Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), The Russian Connection has been active in advising companies worldwide on the commercial and financial implications of doing business in this new and exciting market.

In 1991 The Russian Connection observed the first established joint venture, in Magadan Russia, within its family of corporations here in the United States. Since that time, assignments have covered business start-ups, accounting, shipping, tax, legal, communications lines, profitability analyses for foreign companies operating in the CIS, and assistance with joint venture agreements, as well as feasibility studies, market research and business valuations. The Russian Connection has assisted clients in a multitude of fields and interests.

The Russian Connection continues to be a leader in assisting companies both in market entry and after they have commenced operations.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 7, 1993

Mr. Bob Polasky
Director, Subsistence
& Natural Resources
Rural Alaska Community
Action Program, Inc.
P.O. Box 200908
Anchorage, AK 99520

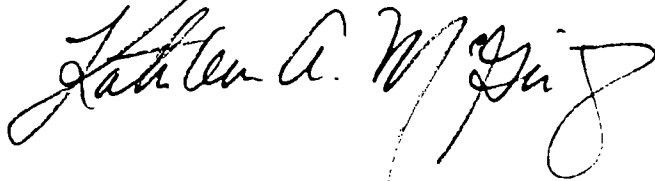
Dear Mr. Polasky:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your concerns about the impacts of the reauthorization of the Endangered Species Act and the Marine Mammal Protection Act on Alaska Natives. I apologize for the delay in my response.

I appreciate learning of your work to increase awareness about the effects of these Acts on the cultural survival of Alaska Natives. I regret that I was unable to schedule a meeting on your last trip to Washington. In order to have your concerns heard, I am forwarding your letter to the Office on Indian Affairs at the Department of the Interior 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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Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Inc.

April 12, 1993

Ms. Kathlene McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President, and
Director, White House Office on Environmental Policy
Rm. 358
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

As you know, several acts of Congress are up for reauthorization this year including the Magnuson Act, Endangered Species Act, (ISA) and the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA). All of these Acts have significant impacts on the cultural survival of thousands of Alaska Natives (Eskimo, Indian, and Aleut) who depend on subsistence for their sustenance.

In addition to these Acts, Alaska Natives are dependent on Title VIII of the Alaska National Interests Lands Conservation Act, (ANILCA), which provides a subsistence priority as a means to insure the cultural and nutritional survival of Native people.

While Congress intended for ANILCA and the Native exemption of the MMPA to protect Alaska Natives and the environment they reside in, this is proving to be questionable. Groups are seeking to deprive Native people traditional uses of marine mammals, and the State of Alaska no longer implements a rural subsistence priority on State land as a result of a State court ruling which ruled a rural priority unconstitutional. As it is, Alaska currently has two resource managers, the federal government on public lands (two-thirds of the State) and state management of state and private lands. This is causing great confusion and in many cases places the well being of our resources and environment at risk, as agencies argue over jurisdiction.

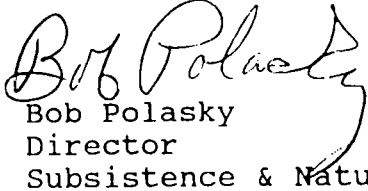
In the meantime our Native people feel their culture and survival in villages is jeopardized. Next week, the week of April 19, over a dozen Alaska Natives will travel to Washington to confront Congress, and administrative departments with these issues. Alaska Natives are determined to protect their interests and the environment which they are an intricate part of.

April 12, 1993

Our delegation would like very much to meet with you, however briefly considering your schedule and the late date of this request, to brief you on these critical issues. Would you please consider meeting with our delegation sometime between the 19th and 23rd? We would very much appreciate this opportunity.

I can be contacted at the fax number listed below. Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob Polasky". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Bob Polasky
Director
Subsistence & Natural Resources

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Ms. Jane Perkins
President
Friends of the Earth
218 D Street, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

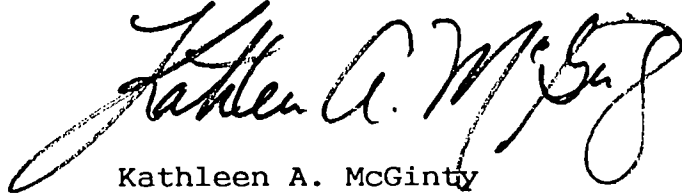
Dear Jane:

Thank you for contacting me regarding Ms. Holly Kaufman's interest in working in the Office on Environmental Policy.

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

I appreciate learning about Ms. Kaufman's interest in working in our office.

Sincerely,

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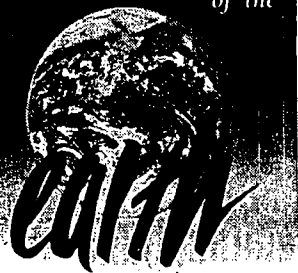
Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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cc: Ms. Holly Kaufman

FRIENDS

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May 14, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
White House Office
on the Environment
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC

Dear Katie,

Several weeks ago while on a speaking visit to Harvard, I met a woman who impressed me greatly. I only talked with her for a short time, but I actually asked her for her card so that I could give it to you. The last two times I saw you I was preoccupied, and forgot to tell you about her.

Her name is Holly Kaufman, she's just finishing up a second degree at Harvard, she's been in business and she is accomplished at environmental policy and project management. She'd really like to talk with you about helping your efforts.

Although you may be swamped with resumes of good people, I have told her that she should send hers along to you, and mention this connection.

You seem to be holding up very well--I hope you feel as good as you look!

Sincerely,



Jane Perkins

**HOLLY KAUFMAN
21 BURNSIDE AVENUE
SOMERVILLE, MA 02144**

May 24, 1993

Ms. Kathleen McGinty
White House Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building, Room 360
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Jane Perkins wrote to you about me and suggested that I contact you. Joan Bondareff also referred me to you. After a sixteen-year career in environmental policy and program management, I am completing a sabbatical in the Mid-Career Master in Public Administration program at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. My specialization at Harvard is environmental policy and economics.

Prior to graduate school, I managed the environmental planning for the Port of Oakland and the largest waste management company in California. In both positions, I worked closely with divergent constituencies, including developers, industry, agriculture, the military and citizen groups, to resolve conflicts over natural resources and competing environmental and economic concerns. I have also conducted conservation policy research or participated in environmental improvement projects in Mexico, Costa Rica, Cuba, Kenya and China.

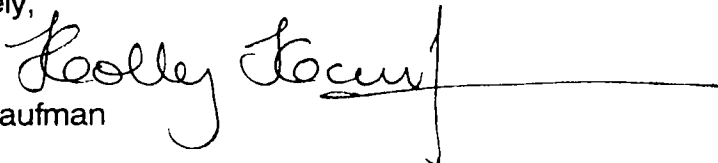
I am presently working as staff to the Harvard Project on Global Environmental Change Information Policy. I therefore am not in need of employment, however, I am interested in working in your office at whatever time you may perceive a need for someone with my particular experience and skills.

I know you are extremely busy, but I would be very grateful if I could meet with you briefly when I am in Washington June 3 and 4. I will take the liberty of calling your office early next week to see if we might arrange a time at your convenience. My resume is enclosed for your review.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration. I look forward to speaking with you.

Sincerely,

Holly Kaufman

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HOLLY KAUFMAN
21 Burnside Avenue
Somerville, MA 02144
(617) 623-5363

HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

Sixteen years' experience in environmental policy and project management.
Effective manager and conscientious teamworker.
Diplomatic and productive working with parties of conflicting interests.
Excellent writing, research, communications and organizational skills.
Corporate, non-profit and public agency service.
Harvard University Kennedy School Fellowship, Environmental Policy.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Management

Managed multi-million dollar regional waste recovery projects and environmental compliance for Norcal Waste Systems, Inc.; coordinated project teams.

Directed a \$1.5 million youth-employment/public-lands improvement program for the San Francisco Conservation Corps; completed under budget and on schedule.

Coordinated San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein's Urban Forestry Task Force; co-authored legislation; wrote environmental guidelines and reports to Mayor.

Initiated and directed construction of the only University of California at Berkeley solar building; pioneered permit and funding procedures.

Sustainable Development and Environmental Planning

Managed environmental and land use planning for Port of Oakland development projects, including impact analyses, mitigation proposals, regulatory compliance, contract management, government agency and public interest group coordination.

Redesigned curriculum and taught ecosystems course at the University of California at Berkeley.

Taught ecological land use planning at the California Academy of Sciences.

Served four years as Education, Public Information and Media Director for the Farallones Institute, a resource conservation organization.

Participated in community improvement projects in Mexico, Kenya and West Indies; conducted conservation policy research in China, Costa Rica, Cuba.

Selected Research and Writing

Researched food production and agro-forestry schemes in developing nations for the UNICEF publication, *Urban Examples*.

Researched and co-wrote a technical assistance manual on food production and water conservation in developing countries for Urban Resource Systems, Inc.

Published article on rural energy use in China in *Alternative Energy Magazine*.

Researched, co-edited *The Integral Urban House, Self-Reliant Living in the City*, Sierra Club Books.

Wrote educational and press materials for conservation and political campaigns.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

1990-1992 **Environmental and Land Use Planning Manager for N. California**, Norcal Waste Systems, Inc., San Francisco.

1986-1990 **Environmental Planner**, Port of Oakland, Oakland, CA.

1980-1986 **Environmental Project Management Consultant**, San Francisco region and overseas, typical contracts described above.

1980-1981 **Instructor and Project Director**, College of Natural Resources, University of California at Berkeley.

1977-1981 **Program Director**, the Farallones Institute, Berkeley, CA.

EDUCATION AND HONORS

Master in Public Administration, Harvard University, 1993 Candidate
Partners in Leadership Fellow; Kennedy School of Government
Specialty: International Environmental Policy and Economics

Bachelor of Science, University of California at Berkeley, 1980, Highest Honors
Major: Conservation of Natural Resources

Brevet d'Etudes du Premier Cycle, French Government, 1973

AFFILIATIONS AND LANGUAGES

Energy and Environment Professional Interest Council, Harvard University
International Development Professional Interest Council, Harvard University
Association of Environmental Professionals
Golden Gate National Recreation Area Habitat Restoration Team
Fluent French; Conversational Spanish

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1993

Ms. Klinla Pisardi
1086 King Road, FVY312
Malvern, PA 19355

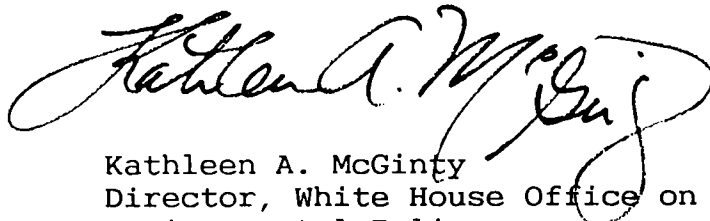
Dear Ms. Pisardi:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your thoughts about the Animal Damage Control Act.

We are in the process of reviewing our policy with the Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Interior on this very important matter. I agree that further study of the options involved is necessary for an informed and balanced decision to be made. Be assured that we will give every consideration to your concerns as we look at this issue.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me.

Sincerely,

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

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White House office on
environmental policy
Kathleen M. Ginty
Director
Old Executive Office Bldg
Room 358
Washington, DC
20503

Dear Ms. McGinty,

I am writing to urge you to oppose any funding of the Animal Damage Control. ADC exists as an obvious subsidy to the livestock industry. It is the responsibility of the industry to find humane and nontotal methods of securing their livestock and it is most certainly not the responsibility of taxpayers to provide zero risk business environment for them. The ADC practices are biologically unsound. With over 100 thousand predatory mammals and more than 1.5 million birds reported killed in fiscal year 1992 alone, there can be no justification of the ADC's existence if planetary health is truly a priority. In addition, the means of ADC's killings are indiscriminate and offers no safeguard against killing endangered species. If we are to protect the natural heritage of this country, ADC funding cannot persist. Sincerely,
MS KIM LAPARDI

1086 KING RD FLY312
MALVERN PA 19355

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1993

Ms. Gail Lynn Pittala
13922 N.E. 13th Street, Apt. 7-2
Bellevue, WA 98005

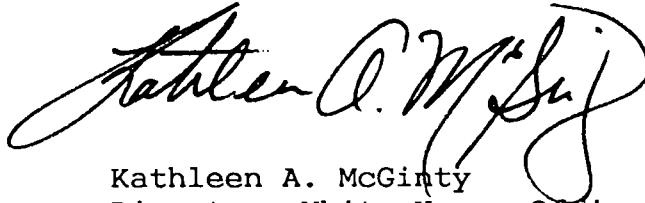
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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GAIL LYNN PITTALA
13922 N.E. 13 Street - Apt. 7-2
Bellevue, WA 98005
Tel: (206) 469-0388

April 24, 1993

Dear Ms. Kathleen McGinty:

We may never see a better time than the present to put an end to the ANIMAL DAMAGE CONTROL (ADC) PROGRAM. With President Clinton's new economic strategy to cut all unnecessary federal spending, now is the chance for many of us to let the new administration as well as our Congress people to know exactly how we feel.

1. The ADC exists as a blatant subsidy to the livestock industry. Taxpayers should not be expected to provide a zero-risk business environment for anyone. We demand a leaner and more efficient government in which public interests, not private interests, are served first.
2. The ADC predator control program is neither cost-effective, nor biologically sound. In 1992 the ADC spent over 45 million taxpayer dollars to kill wildlife on public lands and to develop poisons and control techniques for wild animals. Most of these techniques are indiscriminate, and place threatened and endangered species in jeopardy. At the same time, the government spends millions to kill predators, it also funds multi-million dollar programs to protect and reintroduce endangered species.
3. In fiscal year 1992, over 109 thousand predatory mammals and more than 1.5 million birds were "reportedly" killed by the ADC. Its killing methods -- poison baits, traps, snares, denning and aerial gunning -- are indiscriminate and inhumane.
4. Ranchers need to be responsible for protecting their own livestock and doing so with non-lethal techniques.
5. We demand that this outdated, tax-supported, federal war on wildlife come to an end, and that the government begin to protect our natural heritage.

Sincerely,

Gail L. Pittala

GAIL LYNN PITTALA

GP:gp

cc:All appropriate government representatives

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1993

Mr. Willy Peabody
P.O. Box 333
Lander, WY 82520

Dear Mr. Peabody:

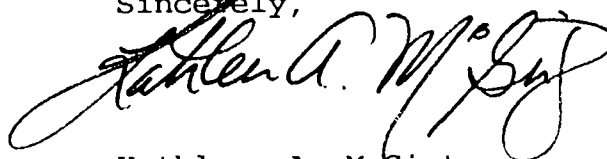
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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Dear Ms KATHIE McGinty,

I would like you to relay my concerns to President Clinton.

He should adhere to his promise to develop a scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible plan for protecting the Pacific Northwest's public forest.

I also ask that all remaining ancient forest be protected. The export of "RAW logs" be stopped.

The President should work to keep log processing jobs in the United States, and export only finished wood products.

Lastly that economic assistance and investment opportunities be provided to rural and timber related communities of the Northwest.

Thank you for your time.

Willy Peabody

Willy Peabody
Box 333
CLANIER WY 82520

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1993

Ms. Oceana Plachta
310 24th Street
Port Townsend, WA 98368

Dear Ms. Plachta:

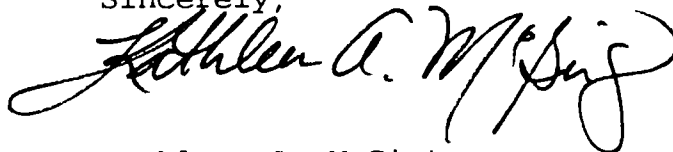
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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Oceana Plachta, age 17½
310 24th St.
Port Townsend, WA.
July 12, 1993 98368

Kathleen McGinty
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Bldg, Rm. 358
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Madam McGinty,

There is considerable concern in the Western United States, socially, economically, environmentally, over the recently uncovered plan from Clinton Gore's presidency. I have a personal concern about the Siskiyou National ~~Forest~~ ^{Forest} and surrounding wildlands, rivers, and biological resources. My dear aunt Mary has been in deathbed-cancer for some time; her diagnosis may not have ended that way one week ago if, as I understand there were a possibility, a cure could have been discovered in these forests. My concern is deeper, however, because these Oregon lands have been raped of natural beauty and surely must be stopped from their own deathbed. I am concerned and voice my support, in want of better form, (I resent Option 9) for the proposal being presented by The Siskiyou Project. As the daughter of a logger-turned-tree planter, having grown up in the mess created from the downing of ancient forests, I can't leave these forests out of my priorities list. Will you do something?

Yours truly,

Expecting more heartening news,

Oceana Plachta

Oceana Plachta

PLEASE?

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1993

Mr. Philip Porush
7617 De Longpre Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90046

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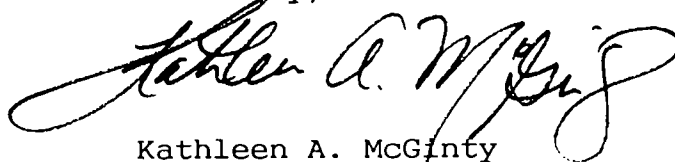
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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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Philip Porush
7617 De Longpre Ave.
Los Angeles, California 90046-4021
(213) 883-0148
July 9, 1993

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

Dear Ms. McGinty:

During the recent Northwest Forest Conference President Clinton pledged to craft a forest plan which would be "scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible"...and which would "protect the long-term health of our forests, our wildlife and our waterways." I support these goals, but I oppose the approach of Option 9 which has been selected for implementation.

Option 9 involves too much logging in Northern spotted owl habitat and involves experimenting with new logging techniques in ancient forests which should be held in trust for future generations. These new logging techniques should be tried in previously cut forests or in a very limited area away from Northern spotted owl habitat. I cannot even conceive of trying them in ancient forests until then. And frankly, based on the past performance of the U. S. Forest Service and the timber industry in managing their forests for the benefit of wildlife, ecosystems and waterways, I doubt if these new forestry techniques will ever work in ancient forests without grave damage.

I do support your proposal to give aid to timber industry communities to help develop alternative employment for workers who can no longer find work in the timber industry due to changes in government forestry policy. I think that is fair. I don't understand why there aren't more jobs in reforestation. The need is clearly there. The forests have been cut so much for so long. A major effort is needed for this.

Sincerely,



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 27, 1993

Ms. Ruth Pierce
C/o Mira Stables
Route 2, Box 279
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Dear Ms. Pierce:

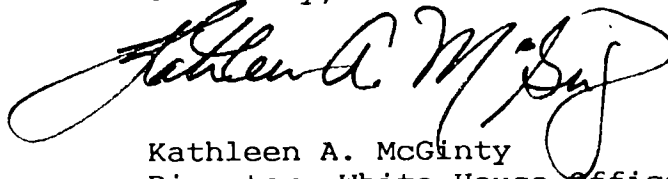
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Environmental Policy

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Ruth Pierce
% Mira Stables, Rte 2 Box 279
Santa Fe, NM 87505

June 30, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360 Old Executive Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

During the recent widely publicized Northwest Forest Conference, President Clinton pledged to craft a forest plan that would be "scientifically sound, ecologically credible, and legally responsible." In response, an Ecosystem Management Assessment team was created to come up with options to protect the remaining ancient forest ecosystems while mitigating short-term job loss.

Unfortunately, special interests have reportedly been mounting a major campaign to divert the result away from a sustained yield plan which would comply with existing law while protecting this resource. They are pushing fixed numbers (such as 2.5 billion board feet), regardless of its impact on the forests.

This approach is short-sighted in terms of timber industry jobs and would ignore fishery, forest and habitat protection and rehabilitation. These are the policies of the past that have given us the barren and eroding hillsides throughout the Northwest.

One of the most important principles is that of *sustained yield*. Regardless of what other practices are in effect, neither the health of the ecosystem, nor of the economy, can long endure the kind of harvest practices that have been followed up to now.

Please put the protection of these systems ahead of the short term "timber-mining" interests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruth Pierce".

Ruth Pierce

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1993

Mr. Peter J. Parks
Environmental and Resource
Economics
Rutgers University
P.O. Box 231
New Brunswick, NJ 08903

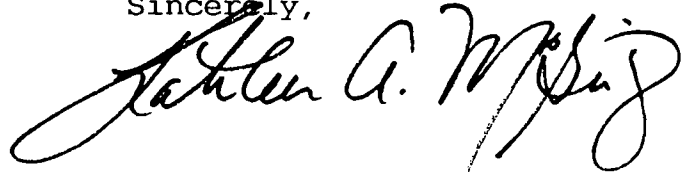
Dear Mr. Parks:

Thank you for your recent letter and the information you enclosed regarding the your work on assessing both costs and benefits of wetlands and carbon sequestration policies.

I appreciate learning about your efforts at Rutgers on environmental and resource accounting practices. I share your enthusiasm for the future progress in this very important area.

Again, thank you for sharing this information with me.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, Office on
Environmental Policy

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THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY
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July 14, 1993

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office
on Environmental Policy
The White House
Washington, DC

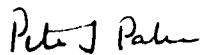
Dear Ms. McGinty:

Thank you for your letter last month, inviting me to attend the White House Conference on Global Environmental Change. I hope that we have the chance to meet at the Carbon Sinks Working Group that Assistant Secretary Lyons has convened for tomorrow.

In the event that we do not get the chance to meet, I am enclosing two policy analyses recently completed for USDA and EPA. The papers present policy simulation techniques that can readily assess costs and benefits of specific policies directed toward carbon sequestration and wetlands restoration.

Any comments you have would no doubt improve the papers. Please contact me if I can help answer any questions about the work or its conclusions.

Sincerely,



Peter J. Parks
Environmental and Resource Economics

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1993

Mr. Frank Popoff
Chairman and CEO
The Dow Chemical Company
2030 Dow Center
Midland, MI 48674

Dear Mr. Popoff: *Frank*

Thank you for contacting me regarding your concerns about liability of toxic waste cleanup under Superfund. It was good to hear from you, and I apologize for the delay in my response.

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. In his first State of the Union address, the President reaffirmed his goal to increase the efficiency of toxic waste cleanup, as well as to decrease the numerous liability lawsuits facing Superfund sites.

As you may know, on June 23, 1993 the Environmental Protection Agency released a package of administrative actions to improve the Superfund program. In order to examine long-term improvements of Superfund, EPA Administrator Browner established the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT). This body will evaluate the current performance of the Superfund program, identify administrative and legislative options to improve the program, and assess the advantages and disadvantages of these options. NACEPT is expected to report to Administrator Browner in October.

Again, thank you for keeping me apprised of your thoughts on this matter.

Sincerely,



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

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The Dow Chemical Company

Frank Popoff
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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June 17, 1993

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty:

The concept of sustainable development is gaining wide acceptance with your administration and around the world. Implicit in that is an opportunity for U.S. leadership on environmental issues that are more and more seen as global in their impact and their need for resolution.

The current Superfund legislation is damaging sustainable development as well as U.S. leadership on environmental issues. Without exception, it is seen as fatally flawed, failing to solve any of our solid waste problems and expending billions of dollars of precious funds on counter-productive litigation, administration and bureaucracy, both from our EPA and the administration. Bill Riley referred to Superfund as the worst piece of environmental legislation that he had experienced.

Now we are hearing that the complete overhaul of Superfund is being diluted by potential carve outs. Municipalities seem to be the first in line, but surely others will try to follow if we give the impression that a piece-meal patchwork approach to Superfund is a suitable course of action rather than total reform. We need new legislation on Superfund that will give municipalities and all other constituents their best hope of not only release from punitive provisions of Superfund, but also for economic development from the alternate use of wasted funds. Remedy selection and funding of liability are two salient areas that new legislation should address. I urge this administration to rewrite Superfund legislation and in so doing begin the process of creating model legislation addressing the environment for all the world to see and follow. Domestically, Superfund is not only an environmental issue, it is an economic issue, a trade and competitiveness issue, a legal reform issue and a tax issue to mention just a few.

We look forward to your leadership.

Sincerely,

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Frank Popoff

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1993

Mr. Ronald B. Pratt
Earth Partners, Inc.
P.O. Box 728
Baker City, OR 97814

Dear Mr. Pratt:

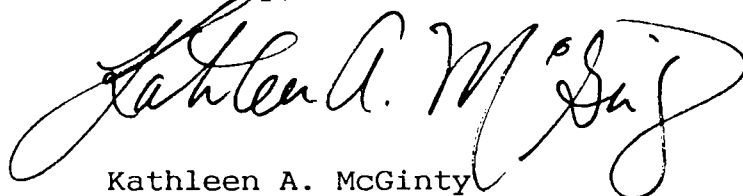
Thank you for contacting me regarding your work at Earth Partners, Inc., to develop a process for making building materials out of used newspaper. It was good to hear from you, and I sincerely apologize for the delay in my response.

I share President Clinton's and Vice President Gore's commitment to preserving our environment in a way that leads to strong and sustainable economic growth. Recycling is one of our top priorities.

As you know, through the hard work and initiative of many community and industry leaders, recycling has become almost routine to many people. However, to really make recycling a success, further outreach is needed to encourage both the supply and demand for recycled products. To that end, the President announced in his Earth Day speech his intention to sign an Executive Order on recycled goods. This Executive Order will strengthen the previous Federal Agency Recycling Order of October 1991 by requiring a revision of procurement guidelines for recycled products, establishing new content standards for recycled printing and writing paper, and encouraging federal agencies to set procurement goals for recycled products. This is an important first step. I appreciate learning of your innovative efforts as well.

Again, thank you for sharing this information with me.

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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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EARTH PARTNERS, Inc.

*Environmental Reclamation
through Waste Transformation*

March 22, 1993

Vice President Al Gore
Old Executive Office
17th and Penn Avenue
Room 281
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Mr. Vice President,

My company manufactures building materials using 100% newspaper (ONP) as the raw material. We have a dry process; no de-inking, formaldehyde free binder and manufacturing techniques that have been proven for approximately 15 years. We have spent three years developing our products, patents, manufacturing methods, management and marketing.

Our direct financial contributions amount to \$600,000.00 and indirect contributions in the range of \$250,000.00.

We will be using equipment and supplies manufactured in the U.S.A.. Our plants will use 100 tons of ONP per day, 300 days per year. The opportunity exists to place a minimum of 50 plants in the U.S.A.. The potential for export of products, information and technology to the developed and underdeveloped world is tremendous.

Our products made from ONP will replace products made from virgin fiber and will have superior quality as well as being price competitive.

Procurement programs directed at products with recycled material contents will enhance acceptability at the market place. This will place government, states and counties in a leading role by using recycled products.

Tax legislation for investment tax credit on capital invested will eventually bring investors back to manufacturing. Direct tax offset for manufacturing with recycled materials will also bring needed investment for R&D and new product development. Tax offsets should be based off of content of recycled materials in products. This would encourage use of our recyclables and make us less dependent on virgin materials.



The American people are proving that they want to recycle and conserve our natural resources. Big business is very slow to change. Market place happenings and tax incentives will attract big business.

I have enclosed my basic materials, a magazine article on our company and a sample of our product. Also references in Washington D.C. and Westdeptford, New Jersey.

We have capital requirements of \$15,000.000.00 to get our first plant built. A startup company in these times has a hard time getting the U.S. banking and venture capital groups interested. The major interest that we have had has been from the Japanese and they want to take the technology and manufacturing to the Pacific Rim and Asia.

I have financing available through Nevada's state bonding. This is contingent upon having a AAA letter of credit to back the bonds. If this could come about, plant #1 would be built east of Reno, Nevada in the town of Fernley. We have 100% of that plant's production sold to industry in California that would replace products made from virgin fiber.

This project will succeed but it should start in the U.S.A. and be distributed to foreign countries instead of foreign countries distributing to us.

I am a displaced rancher because of the market and financial crunch of the 1980's. I spent 20 years as a land owner and operator of a large ranch in eastern Oregon. I have looked at this displacement as an opportunity and not as a disaster.

Mr. Vice President, I look forward to meeting and working with you in the near future.

Thank you for your time and concern in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ronald B. Pratt".

Ronald B. Pratt

July 7, 1993

Mr. Jeremy M. Parker
Chair
Citizens for American Forests
531 East 18th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11226

Dear Mr. Parker:

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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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531 East 18th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11226
June 23, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty, Deputy Asst. to the President
Director, Office of ~~the~~ Environmental Policy
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

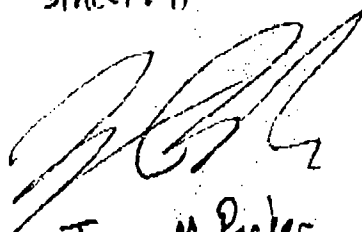
Dear Ms. McGinty:

It is my understanding that, as a result of April's "Forest Summit," the White House is seriously considering recommending a plan that would maximize timber harvesting and effectively scuttle environmental statutes at the expense of forest ecosystems.

This option - labeled Option 9 - is one of several alternatives meant to direct management of our national forests for the next several years, if not longer. These alternatives should include protection of old-growth stands and ancient forests, maintaining the sanctity of wilderness and roadless areas, watershed rehabilitation and habitat restoration (independent of the availability of Knutson-Vandenberg funds), and maximal protection of endangered, threatened, sensitive, and proposed species.

I urge you to recommend an alternative based on sound, scientific ecosystem management that encompasses the above-mentioned issues, and to oppose the adoption of Option 9.

Sincerely,



Jeremy M. Parker
Chair, Citizens for American Forests

July 7, 1993

Ms. Mary Peterson
Sales Representative
205 West Hurst Blvd.
Hurst, TX 76053

Dear Ms. Peterson:

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Environmental Policy

KAM/avl



**Trinity Forest
Industries Inc.**

June 28, 1993

To Whom It May Concern:

PLEASE, FOR THE NATIONS SAKE, ADVISE PRESIDENT CLINTON:

Vote against Option 9

We, that are so involved with the lumber industry cannot afford to lose additional jobs in our industry needlessly.

There are so many forest management policies in effect, reforestation is a fact of life. Why can our government not see these facts. Please be open to perhaps restart negotiations for a balanced proposal that will not endanger so many lives and our nations fragile economic recovery.

I dearly love my country and only hope and pray that our policy makers would go into discussions with an open mind, not come to discussions with the mind already made up!

Sincerely,

Mary Peterson
Sales Representative

205 West Hurst Blvd. Hurst, Texas 76053
817-268-2441 WATS: 1-800-256-4975
FAX 817-268-2163

July 7, 1993

Ms. Nellie D. Patterson
15757 Sunset Blvd., #15
Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

Dear Ms. Patterson:

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Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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15757 Sunset Blvd., #15
Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

June 25, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
Room 360, Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20501

Subject: United States Forest Policy — Adherence to Principles Announced
at the Forest Conference and Rejection of Option 9

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I have followed with close attention the progress of discussions surrounding the development of a U.S. national forest plan. I believe the formulation of a coherent and forward looking forest policy is vital to the environmental future of our country.

I am concerned because of reports that a proposal (known as Option 9) has been advanced and is being favorably considered which would allow intensive logging operations to continue in our national forests and would not halt the ongoing destruction of our remaining old growth stands. Further, this option entails the weakening of the Endangered Species Act and other forest ecology safeguards. This is completely contrary to the principles which President Clinton laid down at the Forest Conference as guidelines for his forest plan: that it would be scientifically sound, ecologically credible and legally responsible. Option 9 and similar proposals must therefore be rejected.

The forest policy which finally emerges must be founded on genuinely scientific forest ecology and must provide for sustainable forest management and the protection of old growth stands so that future generations will have available timber resources and our wildlife will have a livable forest home.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nellie D. Patterson".

Nellie D. Patterson

July 7, 1993

Mr. and Mrs. Warren S. Peterson
E. 2113 37th
Spokane, WA 99203

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Peterson:

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Sincerely,

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

KAM/avl

Spokane, WA June 14, 1993

Re: Option 9 Forest Plan

Dear Ms. McGinty:

We are opposed to the adoption of Option 9 in the Administration's post Forest Summit proposals. As far as we can see, Option 9 allows too much continued cutting of Old Growth, no species protection, and no consideration of our East Side WA -- OR -- ID -- MT forests.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren S. Peterson

Keith S. Peterson

July 7, 1993

Mr. Philip M. Pittman, III
P.O. Box 255
Cedarville, MI 49719

Dear Mr. Pittman:

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

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Philip M. Pittman III
P.O. Box 255
Cedarville, MI 49719-0255

June 23, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy

FAX: (202) 456-2710

Dear Ms McGinty:

I am writing to express my concern over what I read are the solutions being considered for the ancient forest crisis in the pacific northwest.

It is important that any resolution to this crisis include the following components:

- 1) Permanent, unmanaged ancient forest reserves. Cutting timber in a "reserve" is counter to the very notion of a reserve. The Ancient Forests of the northwest are not just timber base; they are an important part of our natural heritage.
- 2) "Sufficiency" language is unacceptable. Any plan must be subject to existing environmental laws, including the National Forest Management Act and the National Environmental Policy Act. Any plan which is scientifically sound need not be exempted from the law. More importantly, no government agency should be placed above the law. Ever.
- 3) The Eastside forests of Oregon, Washington, and northern California should be included in the overall package.
- 4) The Plan must create a very high probability of success where protection of both terrestrial and aquatic species habitat and overall ecosystem viability are concerned. We should not tinker with a dwindling and irreplaceable resource through the unproven methods of "new forestry." Save new forestry for second-growth forests and tree farms.
- 5) Community assistance and development. Reducing tax incentives or banning log exports outright will promote investment and job retention in local communities. Maintaining higher cut levels in the short run will only delay the economic transitions that will be imposed on the northwest as industry continues to close mills and shift production and facilities to the southeastern United States.

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Remember Aldo Leopold's words: "the first rule of intelligent tinkering is to save all the parts." If we do not permanently protect the Ancient Forests, then we will all have failed.

Sincerely,

Philip M. Pittman, III

July 7, 1993

Mr. and Ms. George and Agnes Pernstein
1054 Starvation Lake Road
Colville, WA 99114

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Sincerely,

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

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1. Katie McGinty
White House Office of Environmental Policy

We are opposed to "OPTION 9"! It is
atragous - it is unacceptable! This is
not a realistic balanced solution.

George & Agnes Permatstein
1054 Starvation Lake Road
Colville, Wa 99114
Tel or FAX - 509-684-2293

July 7, 1993

Plumas Moulding Corp.
P.O. Box 277
Crescent Mills, CA 95934

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JULY 1, 1993

MS. KATIE MCGINTY

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

MS. MCGINTY PLEASE HELP US CONVINCE THE PRESIDENT THAT WE DON'T NEED
1.5 BILLION DOLLARS IN AID THAT WILL BE SIPHONED OFF BY THE
BUREAUCRACY. WE WANT TO PRESERVE OUR FAMILIES, RETAIN OUR HOMES, AND OUR
DIGNITY. YOU CAN HELP US DO THIS BY OPPOSING OPTION 9 WHICH WILL SAVE
OUR JOBS. WE DO NOT WANT HAND OUTS OR WELFARE.

SINCERELY,

Richard Corona
Rafael Garcia
Lance Goodie
Robert L Smith
Edward P. Gonzalez
Ozell Proffitt
Jeff Murray
Lance North
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Miguel A. Garcia
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July 7, 1993

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915 S. 10th St.
Laramie, WY 82070-4621

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Dear
Ms Katie McGinty

In reference to the debate & upcoming decisions on the Northwest Ancient Forests, I would like a plan which preserves ancient forests permanently & does not allow logging.

I hope you can ~~also~~ urge Pres Clinton to keep his promise to protect the forests.

Otherwise, timber companies will stop logging only when there is nothing left to log.

It is on this issue that my future vote depends.

Sincerely

Phil Pucci

July 7, 1993

Mr. Nick Pearson
351 North Avenue
Westin, MA 02193

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Sincerely,

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

KAM/avl

Dear Mrs. McGinty,

21 June '93

I am disturbed to read that President Clinton may be permitting logging in protected old forest growth areas of the Pacific Northwest in the new plan soon to be announced.

It is essential for many reasons that the U.S. adopt an ecologically sound approach to the old growth forests of the Northwest. If we fail to do so, what credibility will we have in trying to persuade the much poorer tropical rain forest countries to responsibly utilize their forests?

One key element is that there is no excuse to export raw logs any longer. If we only export finished products, we will keep value added jobs here in the U.S.

Please inform the President to stand by his pledge to protect Northwest Forest ecosystems.

Sincerely, Nick Pilon

July 7, 1993

Mr. John J. Purcell, Jr.
Route #1, Box 509
Louisa, VA 23093-9628

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John Jerl Purcell, Jr.
Route #1, Box 509
Louisa, Virginia 23093-9628

June 30, 1993

Senator John W. Warner
225 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Warner,

If what I have heard about the proposed solution to the timber crisis is correct, the prices we have on lumber are but a forerunner of what will surely come. Today we are in desperate need of an adequate sustainable timber supply.

It is my understanding that the President will shortly recommend the adoption of "Option 9" as his preferred solution to the current gridlock in the Pacific Northwest. Option 9 would reduce harvest levels on federal forest lands in the affected region to an average 1.2 billion board feet. This is down from the historic level of 5.2 billion board feet. In addition, it would cost over 85,000 direct and indirect jobs in the region as well as many more construction jobs throughout the United States. Lumber prices will be dramatically affected thus risking the fragile recovery of the nation's economy.

Our President promised to find a solution. I cannot understand how he could propose a harvest level lower than anything proposed last year by the preservationists. I urge you contact our President on this matter and request him not to adopt "Option 9"

Sincerely,


John J. Purcell, Jr.

cc: Ms. Katie McGinty, White House Office of Environmental Policy
Jim Lyons, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture
Bud Collier, Deputy Secretary of Interior.

July 7, 1993

Mr. J.D. Pierce
1014 E. 25th Street
Cheyenne, WY 82001

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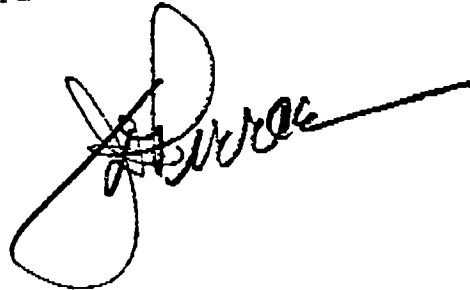
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TO: MS. KATIE MCGINTY
WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

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PLEASE DO NOT IMPLEMENT OPTION 9
ON THE FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY.

WE CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE
MULTIPLE USE MANAGEMENT OF
OUR FORESTS, AND THE RESULTING
LOSS OF JOBS (25,000).



J. D. PIERCE
1014 E. 25TH ST.
CHEYENNE, WY 82001
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July 7, 1993

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P.O. Box 1039
Rolla, MO 65401

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► KATIE MCGINTY
WHITE HOUSE, OFC OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
WASHINGTON DC 20500

— RESPECTFULLY URGE THAT YOU VOTE NO ON OPTION 9 PROPOSAL DEVELOPED BY THE ADMINISTRATION'S FOREST ECOSYSTEM TASK GROUP. IF THIS PASSES IT WILL HAVE A DRAMATICALLY ADVERSE EFFECT ON LUMBER PRICES BECAUSE OF REDUCING HARVESTS ON FEDERAL FOREST LANDS BY ALMOST 80 PERCENT. IN ADDITION IT WILL COST THE LOSS OF JOBS OF OVER 85,000 WORKERS.

JOHN POWELL

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12:05 EST

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July 7, 1993

Ms. Katherine W. Proffitt
1118 W. Danville Street
South Hill, VA 23970

Dear Ms. Proffitt:

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1118 W. DANVILLE STREET - SOUTH HILL, VIRGINIA 23970

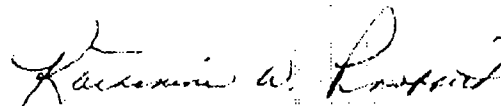
June 30, 1993

Dear Ms. Katie McGinty, White House Office of Environmental Policy

I own (husband deceased) Proffitt Lumber Company which employs 14 people in South Hill, Virginia. I am writing to you out of a serious concern for myself, my family, my employees and my customers. We are concerned about the supply of lumber which can be used for adequate housing. We saw what happened this spring when prices went up so much. Housing in the area around here came to an abrupt stop. We live in an area of moderate income salaried people and farmers. People here cannot build when prices hit the sky.

It is my understanding that the President will shortly recommend the adoption of "Option 9" as his preferred solution to the current gridlock in the Pacific Northwest. This is much much too low. This will cost around 85,000 direct and indirect jobs in this region as well as tens of thousands more construction jobs throughout the United States. This will drastically reduce the housing starts in the U.S. Home construction is one of the back-bones of any recovery from a recession. Only this morning it was reported housing starts were down last month 21%. The President keeps talking about his economic recovery plan. This will surely be called Clinton's economic doom.

We had hoped when President Clinton convened the Forest Summit last April he would find a solution that everyone could live with. We surely cannot live with Option 9. One need only think of all the tax money that would surely go down the drain. A compromise must be found. Our industry depends on this.



Katherine W. Proffitt

July 7, 1993

Ms. Donna Powell
1343 Dry Ponds Road
Granite Falls, NC 28630

Dear Ms. Powell:

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July 2, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
The White House Office of Environmental Policy
Fax# (202) 456-2710

Dear Ms. McGinty:

It has been announced that the Clinton Administration has decided to move forward with option 9 concerning the timber harvest levels in the Pacific Northwest.

Option 9 will:

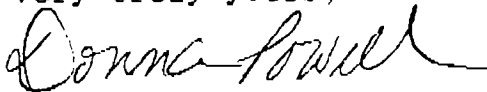
- 1) Reduce the harvest levels on federal forest lands in the Pacific Northwest to 1.2 billion board feet annually. This is 23% of the historic level of 5.2 billion board feet. Also please realize that prior to this reduction, one acre out of every seven acres was already off limits to timber harvesting because of wilderness or other designations.
- 2) Possibly be the straw that breaks the proverbial camel's back and push the United States into a recession or, in the worst case, a depression.
- 3) Hit the American consumer dead center again by increasing the cost of all products derived from forest products. Major products would include:
 - a) Increase dramatically again the cost of building a home.
 - b) Increase the cost of building rental property, and thereby rent, for both commercial and apartments or dwellings.
 - c) Increase indirectly the cost of all goods and services because of increased cost resulting from increased prices of constructing manufacturing and/or commercial buildings.
 - d) Decrease forest product exports and there-

by worsen our balance of trade problem.

- e) Increase forest product imports and thereby worsen our balance of trade problem.
 - f) Damage further the furniture business because furniture lumber will end up taking the place of the lost timber products from the Pacific Northwest.
 - g) Make the cost of furniture prohibitive to many consumers because of higher prices required for furniture raw materials.
 - h) Increase the price of the multitude of products which require raw materials from forest products (on a weight basis the quantity of wood used in the United States roughly equals the weight of all metals, all plastics and all portland cement combined).
- 4) Cost over 85,000 direct and indirect jobs in the Pacific Northwest.

Please, let us all stop trying to push our own selfish agendas and let us do something that is good for the United States of American and all of its citizens. Do not stab the average American citizen in the back by lowering their standard of living. Keep the forest product harvest on the public's land maximized by harvesting the annual growth each year. Please do not use Option 9 to lock away these vital renewable natural resources.

Very truly yours,



Donna Powell
1343 Dry Ponds Road
Granite Falls, N.C. 28630

copies: Senator Jesse Helms
Senator Lauch Faircloth
Representative Cass Ballenger

July 7, 1993

Mr. Jim C. Pearce
President
Pearce Lumber & Hardware
408 W. California Ave.
Ruston, LA 71270

Dear Mr. Pearce:

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Sincerely,

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Environmental Policy

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408 W. CALIFORNIA AVE. RUSTON, LA 71270
318-255-4280

July 2, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty:

I own Pearce Lumber Company which employs 15 employees in Ruston, LA. I am writing to you out of a serious concern for myself, my employees and my customers. We are in need of adequate sustainable timber supply. This past spring lumber prices skyrocketed due to the impact of an artificially constrained timber supply. These prices will be just a beginning if what I have heard about the administration's proposed solution to the timber crisis is correct.

I understand that the President will shortly recommend the adoption of "Option 9" as his preferred solution to the current gridlock in the Pacific Northwest. I feel this would greatly affect lumber prices and be a risk to the recovery of the nation's economy with the loss of so many jobs directly and indirectly.

At the Forest Summit in April President Clinton promised to find a solution. I never imagined his solution would be a harvest level lower than anything proposed last year by the preservationist. I implore you to urge the President not to adopt "Option 9".

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Jim C. Pearce'.

Jim C. Pearce
President

JCP/lpc

July 7, 1993

Ms. Nancy E. Perakis
Vice President
Sonoma Pacific Company
2100 Embarcadero
Oakland, CA 94606

Dear Ms. Perakis:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your concerns about the problems facing the Pacific Northwest.

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SONOMA
PACIFIC
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June 29, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
The White House
Office of Environmental Policy
360 Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20503

FOREST ECOSYSTEM TASK FORCE REPORT - Option 9

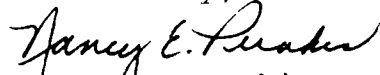
Dear Ms. McGinty:

We strongly urge the Clinton administration to find a balanced solution to the crisis in the Pacific Northwest and northern California. It is our opinion that Option 9 is not a balanced solution. Consider that the task force itself believes the report should be subject to a field-level verification and review process before it is adopted.

The timber crisis is now! It does not appear to make good sense to implement a program with the intent to revise later as scientific evidence comes forth. The timber crisis does not allow the luxury of setting aside habitats for animals that may or may not need protection. By the time subsequent revisions are made, the timber mills may no longer exist.

We need a balanced proposal supported by facts - not a hurry up proposal put in place to "see what happens" after field-level testing. The timber industry is already badly crippled. For the Clinton administration to support Option 9 seems to suggest an unawareness that an entire industry is being threatened and the elimination of thousands of jobs. Please seek a balanced solution.

Yours truly,



Nancy E. Perakis
Vice President

cc: Mr. Tom Collier
U.S. Dept. of the Interior

Mr. Jim Lyons
U.S. Dept. of Agriculture



July 7, 1993

Mr. Fred A. Preddy, Jr.
President
Hammary Furniture Company
P.O. Box 760
Lenoir, N C 28645

Dear Mr. Preddy:

Thank you for contacting me regarding your concerns about the problems facing the Pacific Northwest.

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Fred A. Preddy, Jr.
President

*** FAX ***

(202) 456-2710

July 2, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
White House Office of Environmental Policy

Dear Ms. McGinty:

Reference Option 9 - Reduction of harvest levels and jobs in the Pacific Northwest at 23% of their historical levels.

We are increasing taxes, taking money out of the flow of the free enterprise system, lumber is already at record high prices, is scarce, and of poor quality. Now, we are looking to reduce the available harvest levels in the Pacific Northwest to a mere 23% of their historic levels.

What else, pray tell, can we do to more expeditiously and effectively destroy the economy of the United States of America?

If this trend continues there will soon come a time when no one will start a business, businesses in existence will slowly fade away, there will be no tax structure, and as a result, there will be no one working in government.

This option, coupled with so many recent anti-free-enterprise moves, defies common logic. We should be doing everything we can to create jobs, not hinder industry, not reduce our country to a level of quasi-socialism. In case you haven't noticed, all of those countries have crumbled during the past few years.

The greatest, strongest, self-perpetuating, free-enterprise system in the world is in jeopardy.

Talk about winning battles and losing wars. How about saving a few trees (and we have more trees available than we did 20 years ago) and losing our economy?

If I am not mistaken, the responsibility of the government of the United States of America is to serve the best interests of the people of this country. I, among millions, urge you to oppose and abolish Option 9 and, thereby, refocus our effort in the right direction.

Respectfully,

Fred A. Preddy, Jr.
President

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July 7, 1993

Ms. Mary T. Pierce
President
Holt & Bugbee Co.
1600 Shawsheen Street
P.O. Box 37
Tewksbury, MA 01876

Dear Ms. Pierce:

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Sincerely,

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

KAM/avl

July 7, 1993

Mr. Alen Pedwell
115 N.W. 10th
Sherwood, OR 97140

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KAM/avl

22 June 1992

Ms. Katie McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office of Environmental Policy
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty,

Urge the President to: DISCARD Option 49

Create PERMANENT forest reserves (NO LOGGING)

Obey existing environmental laws (NO sufficiency language in President's proposal)

Honor the promises toward the environment that he made during his campaign and at the Forest Conference

Promote THOUSANDS of jobs through projects to restore watersheds, rivers, mountainsides, forests, salmon runs, wetlands, wildlife, flooded areas, etc.

Thank you!

Jack & Sharon Cody

Jack and Sharon Cody

4127 25th Avenue Court N.W. Big Harbor, WA. 98777

W. J. Redwell

Jo Redwell

5840 Macleay Road S.E. Salem, OR. 97301

Alan W. Redwell

Alan Redwell

112 N.W. 10th Sherwood, OR. 97140

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2370 Dallas Drive Concord, CA. 94520

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5901 Panache Avenue Richmond, CA 94804

Craig K. Cody

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5800 N. Post Spokane, WA. 99208

Ginnie Miller

Mrs. G. W. Miller

9777 N. Burley St Blvd SunLaker, MI 48528

July 7, 1993

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5840 Macleay Road, S.E.
Salem, OR 97301

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Director, Office of Environmental Policy
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Jack & Sharon Cody

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Mrs. V.V. Miller 9720 N. SunLakes Blvd. SunLakes, AZ. 85246

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. James H. Pershing
President
Aston Township Board of Commissioners
233 Pennell Road
Aston, PA 19014

Dear Mr. Pershing:

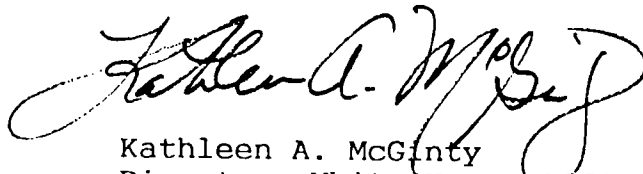
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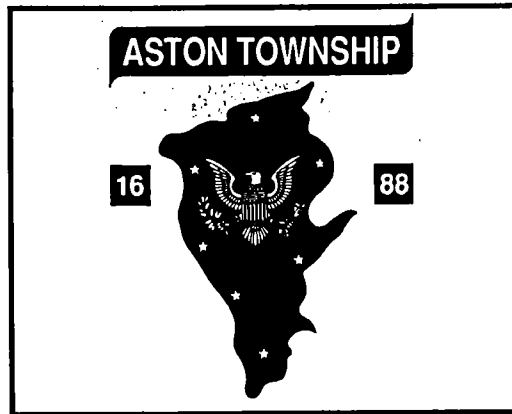
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June 8, 1993

Ms. Katie McGinty
Environmental Advisor to the President
Office of the Vice-President
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty

In his first State of the Union address President Clinton recognized the importance of the nation's toxic waste clean-up and pledged to get the lawyers out of the Superfund process. We are writing to urge the Administration to take one crucial step that could help accomplish that worthy goal. Please release an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guidance that will relieve hundreds of local governments, thousands of small businesses, and countless citizens of the crushing burden of party lawsuits designed to shift billions of dollars of cleanup costs from polluting industries to the general taxpayer.

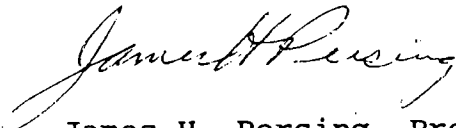
Across the country entities that polluted Superfund sites are seeking to spread their cleanup costs to cities and counties, small businesses such as pizza stands and flowers shops, little league teams, the Girl Scouts and even individual citizens. The theory of these cases is that sending ordinary household garbage and sewage sludge to a Superfund site is enough to trigger staggering liability under the law, even though industrial hazardous waste and not benign household wastes is the reason expensive cleanups are necessary. At a time when scores of local governments and small businesses are struggling to avert fiscal collapse, provide vital services, and remain competitive, this catastrophic liability poses an unforeseen and unjustified threat to their survival.

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Ms. Katie McGinty, Environmental Advisor to the President

Several months before the 1992 election, EPA career staff proposed an excellent guidance document which was designed to spur reasonable settlement of such cases. This guidance was killed by the Bush White House after a lobbying blitz by polluting industries. The Clinton Administration now has an opportunity to correct this misguided decision. Please act today to help the Township of Aston. Please Help!

Sincerely,

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James H. Persing, President
Aston Township Board of Commissioners

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. Donald L. Papin
Director, Human Relations
Aristech Chemical Corporation
600 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Mr. Papin:

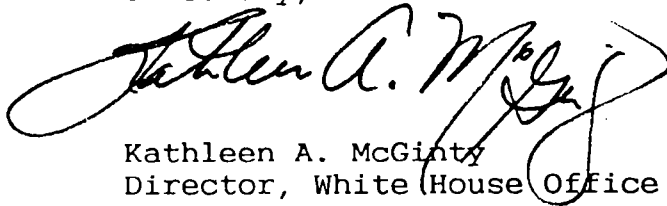
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Sincerely,



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

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Aristech Chemical Corporation
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ARISTECH

June 18, 1993

Ms Kathleen A. McGinty, Director
Office of Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
17th & Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. McGinty:

On behalf of Aristech Chemical Corporation, I am writing to express my and the Company's deep concern with a proposal the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is considering to exempt municipalities from superfund liability or to cap their liability at a prescribed level.

Aristech Chemical Corporation is a diversified producer of chemicals and plastics serving a large number of industrial and consumer product firms. By 1990, when the Company was taken private, it had achieved over one million dollars in annual sales. We currently operate ten manufacturing facilities in eight states and a nationwide distribution network. We also compete in the international chemical trade, in which the U. S. has successfully and consistently maintained a significantly positive balance of trade.

The proposal which the US Environmental Protection Agency is considering would ignore the need to maintain the global competitiveness of our industry. To adopt it would be bad policy, bad politics and bad economics.

The municipal share of liability at superfund sites is at least 15 million dollars and likely to grow. The incentive for EPA to contain cleanup costs at these landfills would be lost if the cities were exempted. As a matter of policy and fairness the carve-out for municipalities is wrong. As a matter of politics, an exemption for municipalities would only invite other groups to demand their own carve-outs, thereby further undermining the opportunity for comprehensive reform of a fundamental flawed law.

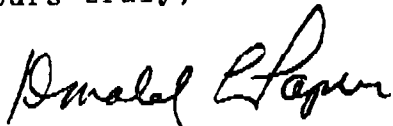
It is now widely recognized that superfund cries out for comprehensive reform. As Keith Schneider wrote in the first of a five-part series of articles on environmental policy which appeared last spring in the New York Times, "Perhaps no environmental program has come under more criticism than the superfund..." if this law has become so expensive and inequitable that we cannot justify it to our local governments, then piecemeal carve-outs are

not the answer. This view is shared by a broad coalition of large industries, small businesses, non-profit organizations and municipal owners/operators of landfills. The process is already in place for a comprehensive review of the law by a public advisory committee which is to recommend reforms next fall. If the EPA circumvents this process by supporting a municipal carve-out, it will send a message that the agency is not truly committed to open dialogue and an equitable reform of the law.

Finally, exempting municipalities would result in an unfair shifting of many billions of dollars of liability from the cities to non-municipal parties, including the federal government. This shift would seriously harm industries which are trying to compete internationally and could bankrupt some smaller companies while increasing the federal government's clean-up costs. In this case, giving the municipalities what they want is against the public interest which you and they are pledged to serve.

I appreciate your prompt attention on this matter.

Yours truly,



Donald L. Papin,
Director Human Relations

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. Seymour S. Preston, III
President & CEO
Elf Atochem North America, Inc.
Three Parkway
Philadelphia, PA 19102

Dear Mr. Preston:

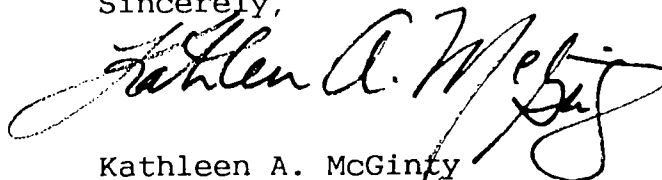
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Kathleen A. McGinty
Director, White House Office on
Environmental Policy

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Elf Atochem North America, Inc.
Three Parkway
Philadelphia, PA 19102-1389

Seymour S. Preston III
President & Chief Executive Officer

Phone: (215) 587-7227
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June 25, 1993

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

SUBJECT: Municipal Carve-Outs from Superfund Liability

Dear Ms. McGinty:

The Chemical Manufacturers Association has informed me that the Administration is considering options for exempting municipalities from Superfund liability or limiting their liability under the statute. I am writing to urge that the Administration not adopt this policy of special relief for cities, but instead work vigorously to achieve comprehensive legislative reform for everyone.

As President of Elf Atochem North America, Inc., I am concerned that exempting municipalities would only worsen the troubled Superfund program -- creating more friction, more litigation and diverting resources away from the cleanup of sites.

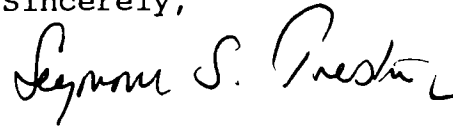
By way of background, Elf Atochem N.A. is a diversified chemicals manufacturer headquartered in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with annual sales in excess of \$1.7 billion. Elf Atochem employs nearly 5,000 people in North America and operates 33 manufacturing facilities in 17 states.

I sincerely question public policy which grants liability exemptions to municipalities. Such action would result in at least a \$15 billion (and growing) shift in liabilities from the cities to non-municipal parties, including the federal government. This would result in serious harm to companies like Elf Atochem N.A. trying to compete internationally and would likely bankrupt many smaller companies and increase federal cleanup costs.

Moreover, if the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) were to exempt municipalities, it is likely other groups would then demand their own special-interest carve-outs. The result would be to undermine efforts aimed at achieving some very fundamental changes in the current Superfund law.

For these reasons, I urge that you oppose this exemption and instead promote comprehensive reform of Superfund; a position supported by a broad coalition of organizations including large industries, small businesses, and non-profit organizations (e.g., universities).

Sincerely,

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SSP/emw

cc: Chemical Manufacturers Assoc.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 20, 1993

Mr. Edward Polen
President
EMCO Chemical Distributors, Inc.
2100 Commonwealth Avenue
P.O. Box 1030
North Chicago, IL 60064

Dear Mr. Polen:

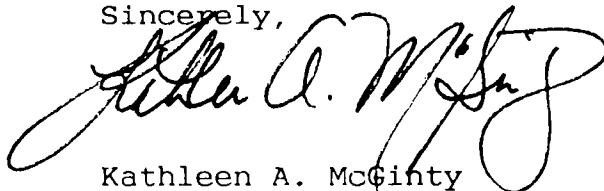
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Director, White House Office on
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EDWARD POLEN
President

June 18, 1993

Ms. Kathleen A. McGinty
Deputy Assistant to the President
Director, Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building
17th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 29599

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I have just learned that the EPA is reviewing options for exempting municipalities from Superfund Liability or capping their liability (the "4 percent solution"). My company is opposed to any special relief for cities without comprehensive reform for everyone. I would like to reiterate the following points:

1. The EPA has recently announced the formation of a public advisory committee to review Superfund's problems, including municipal liability, and recommend reforms in the Fall, 1993. Circumventing this process sends a message that the Agency is not truly committed to an open dialogue.
2. Exempting municipalities would only worsen this troubled program and hinder the process of comprehensive reform. This sort of special-interest relief would create even more friction, and more litigation and delay, among those left to absorb the liability of the cities that escaped the program.
3. Exempting municipalities would result in a multi-billion dollar shift in liabilities from the cities to non-municipal parties, including the federal government. Such a shift would seriously harm industries trying to compete internationally, could bankrupt smaller companies, and increase the federal government's clean-up costs.

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4. If our national superfund program has become so sweeping, so stringent, so expensive that we cannot justify it to our local governments, then the situation cries out for comprehensive reform, not piece-meal carve-outs.

I hope that you will listen to those of us who own and operate small businesses. We cannot continue to have the federal and local financial burden passed onto us, because eventually we will be put out of business.

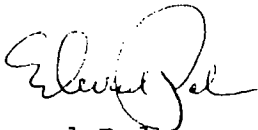
Our company employees 160 people, thats alot of families who depend on us to be financially sound. Society depends upon our ability to create new jobs. New unfair financial burdens will inhibit our growth and possibly our ability to survive in business.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Thank you for your honest consideration in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

EMCO CHEMICAL DISTRIBUTORS, INC.



Edward Polen

EP/tc

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1993

Mr. John Patterson
720 East University Blvd.
Tucson, AZ 85719

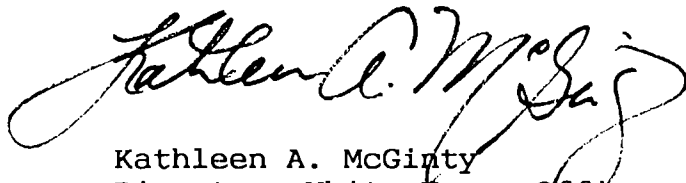
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Kathleen A. McGinty
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John Patterson
720 East University Boulevard
Tucson, AZ 85719
March 23, 1993

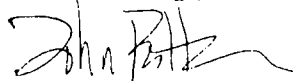
Kathleen McGinty
White House Office on Environmental Policy
Old Executive Office Building 358
Washington DC 20501

Dear Ms. McGinty:

I am sick of paying taxes to subsidize the Animal Damage Control
because:

- 1) it is not cost-effective.
- 2) it is not biologically sound. The techniques used (to the tune of 45 million dollars) kill indiscriminately.
- 3) it is inhumane.
- 4) it constitutes a zero-risk business environment for the livestock industry. Ranchers must be responsible for protecting their own livestock and doing so with non-lethal techniques.
- 5) the government should be mandated to protect wildlife, not kill it.

Sincerely,

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John Patterson

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 22, 1993

Ms. Kathryn L. Peacock
241 Del Rio Paseo
Sanoma, CA 95476

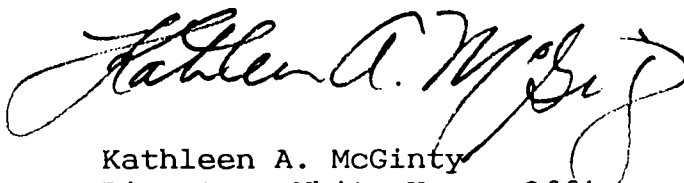
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Dear Mr. Mc Ginty,

I urge you to put an end to the
Animal Damage Control (ADC) Program.

The ADC exists as a blatant subsidy
to the livestock industry.

Taxpayers should not be expected a
zero-risk business environment for anyone.

We demand a leaner and more efficient
government in which public interests, not
private interests, are served first.

The ADC predator control program
is neither cost-effective nor biologically
sound.

In 1992, the ADC spent over 45 million
taxpayer dollars to kill wildlife on public
lands, and to develop poisons and control-
techniques for wild animals.

Most of the techniques are indiscriminate
and place threatened and endangered species
in jeopardy.

At the same time, the government
spends millions to kill predators, it also
funds multi-million dollar programs
to protect and reintroduce endangered
species.

In fiscal year 1992, over 109,000
predatory mammals and more than
1.5 millions were "reported" killed by
the A.D.C.

Its killing methods are indiscriminate
and inhumane.

Ranchers need to be responsible for pro-
tecting their own livestock & to do so with
non-lethal techniques.

I demand that this out-dated tax-
supported federal "war on wildlife" come
to an end and that government begin to
protect our natural heritage.

Sincerely yours,

Kathryn L. Peacock

241 Del Rio Pazo
Sonoma, CA, 95476

Mar. 14, 1993