

Division Engineer

Mr. John P. Cahill
Commissioner
State of New York
Department of Environmental Conservation
Albany, New York 12233-1010

Dear Commissioner Cahill:

Thank you for your February 21, 2001, letter concerning the former Lake Ontario Ordnance Works in the Town of Porter, Niagara County, New York.

We share your concern regarding the pace of our cleanup efforts at this and other formerly used Department of Defense (DoD) sites in New York. We are committed to fully identifying the extent of all DoD contamination at this property and others and cleaning these properties in the most expeditious manner based on the availability of funds. I am please to report that since your staff met with Corps representatives, additional funds were made available for the Lake Ontario project. We currently expect to obligate more than \$1.7 million for the project in Fiscal Year 2001. These funds will be used to complete the waste pipeline interim action, the second phase of our remedial investigation, the remedial design for Areas A and B, and the engineering evaluation/cost analysis for the cleanup of Area C.

If you require additional information or have any questions, please call

Sincerely,

Stephen Rhodes
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Division Engineer