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BUFFALO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS 1776 NIAGARA STREET BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14207-3199

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF 2 5 AUG 2008

OFFICE: Special Projects Team

SUBJECT: Public Release Addendum to the Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan for the

Seaway Site

, Director Bureau of Environmental Radiation Protection NYS Health Department 547 River St., Room 530 Troy, NY 12180-2216

Dear

The US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Buffalo District is pleased to provide the enclosed <u>Addendum to the Feasibility Study for the Seaway Site</u> and <u>Proposed Plan for the Seaway Site</u> for public review. The purpose of the Feasibility Study Addendum is to describe the existing site conditions; outline the remedial action objectives, cleanup standards and guidelines; identify remedial action alternatives; and evaluate and compare the alternatives for remedial action. The purpose of the Proposed Plan is to identify the Preferred Alternative for remediation of the Seaway Site, and provide an opportunity for public comment.

These documents are a product of the USACE environmental response project conducted under the authority of the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP). USACE is the lead Federal agency executing investigations and remedial actions under FUSRAP. USACE conducts FUSRAP projects in accordance with the governing Federal law – the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). Previous FUSRAP investigations found levels of radioactive contaminants at the Seaway Site that pose a potential human health risk above the limits established in the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP), and therefore require remedial action.

The formal public comment period for the Proposed Plan is from August 27, 2008 to October 27, 2008. A public meeting to present the preferred alternative and receive public comments will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 2008, at the Phillip Sheridan Building, 3200 Elmwood Avenue, Kenmore, NY 14217, of the Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District in the Community Room beginning at 7 p.m. To provide the Corps with written

comments, please write to the FUSRAP Seaway Site Team, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, NY 14207. Written comments must be postmarked by October 27, 2008. All comments received will be reviewed and evaluated by the Corps prior to making the final decision on remediation of the Seaway Site. The Selected Remedy will then be documented in a Record of Decision, which will be issued to the public, along with a response to all comments submitted regarding this Proposed Plan.

The Feasibility Study Addendum for the Seaway Site and the Proposed Plan for the Seaway Site are being made available for public review in the Administrative Record File for the site, located in the Tonawanda Public Library, 33 Main Street, Tonawanda, New York 14150, and the Buffalo District Office listed above.

If you have any questions, please contact the Project Manager, Additionally, the Buffalo District provides the public a toll-free telephone number (1-800-833-6390), email address (fusrap@usace.army.mil) and internet site (www.lrb.usace.army.mil/fusrap) to provide information on FUSRAP projects.

Sincerely,

FUSRAP Program Manager

Enclosures