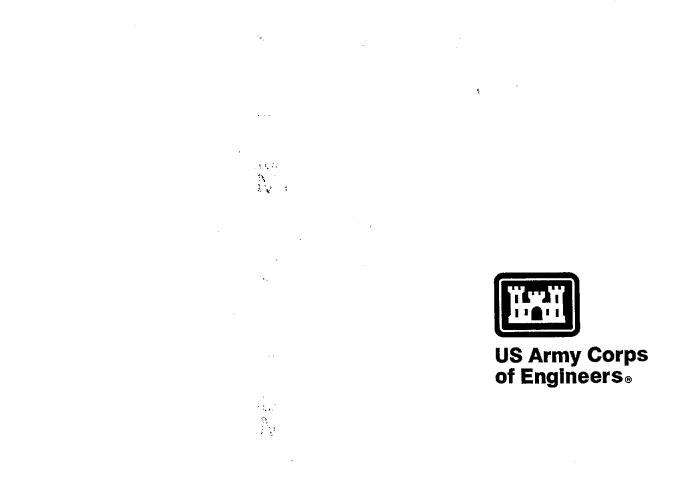
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August 1, 1997

John Michael Japp US Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office PO Box 2001 Oak Ridge, TN 37831-8723

Dear Mr. Japp:

Concerned Citizens of Maywood asked me to review the Environmental Surveillance Results for the Maywood site. We note a groundwater plume of tetrachloroethene and degradation products moving from the western side of the MISS, under Rte. 17. The concentrations, up to 1100 mg/L, are 220 times Federal and 1100 times State drinking water standards at deep well B38W15D, about 500 feet west of the MISS site. This plume likely extends much further, but B38W15D is the westernmost well, so it is impossible to know for certain.

This is obviously a problem which DOE is investigating. We would greatly appreciate receiving a copy of the report, Maywood Site Groundwater Evaluation, Maywood, New Jersey, BNI CCN 142122, May 13, 1996, cited in the 1996 Environmental Surveillance Results, and any subsequent reports and correspondence dealing with this serious problem.

DOE quite clearly will have to drill additional deep monitoring wells further west of B38W15D and establish a remediation plan. This is a serious problem that has continued for several years, without obvious DOE action. It is essential to determine whether this tetrachloroethene plume is reaching drinking water supplies.

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Sincerely

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