



June 1, 2009

Mr. Fred Connor
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Re: CBA comments for inclusion in the May 6, 2009 CAG minutes

Dear Mr. Connor,

I am writing this letter in response to EPA's letter of clarification dated May 18, 2009 and wish it to be included in the meeting minutes.

In response to EPA's clarification regarding the geocells, CBA has not been able to obtain any documented evidence that EPA has implemented this technology prior to its use at the BoRit to contain asbestos waste and other toxins. CBA has asked EPA, several times, to provide a documented example as to where the geocell technology has been researched and implemented to be safe and effective in containing asbestos waste and other toxins from the actions of a rushing creek similar to that of the Wissahickon Creek. EPA has not fulfilled the request.

EPA explains that the geocell technology was used on the Ambler Asbestos piles Superfund site. However they do not provide the documented evidence of the use of this technology. The Record of Decision for the Ambler Asbestos Piles does not explain the use of the geocell technology. The ROD is attached for your easy reference.

CBA has asked for this information in an attempt to understand the containment and to reassure its constituency that the technology will promote a healthy and safe environment, free of asbestos and other toxins, and for the long term. The Wissahickon creek is often enjoyed recreationally by many, especially children and is used as a drinking water source for the city of Philadelphia. CBA wants to make sure that asbestos fibers will not be in the water when the children are in the water.

We are very concerned that EPA will not provide the requested information.

Respectfully,

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