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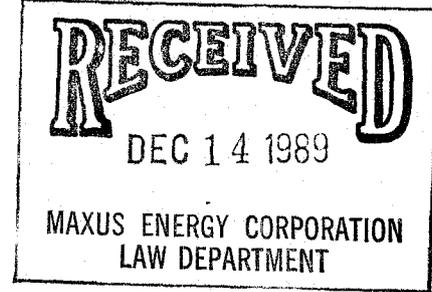
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Re: Newark



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December 13, 1989

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Chief, New Jersey Superfund Branch
Office of Regional Counsel
United States Environmental Protection Agency,
Region II
26 Federal Plaza
New York, New York 10278
ATTN: Diamond Alkali Site Attorney

Re: Newark Diamond Alkali Site JCD Term

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the Diamond Alkali Site Judicial Consent Decree, Mr. Hadley Bedbury is designated as the Project Coordinator who has the primary responsibility for implementation of the Work.

Please contact Mr. Hadley Bedbury at (214) 953-2808 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "M. M. Skaggs, Jr.".

M. M. Skaggs, Jr.
Central Operations Manager, Environmental Affairs
Maxus Energy Corporation
On behalf of Occidental Chemical Corporation
(successor to Diamond Shamrock Chemicals Company)

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