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Washington, DC 20585

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The Honorable Carl Levin
United States Senator
15100 North Line Road
Room 107A
Southgate, Michigan 48195

Dear Senator Levin:

Secretary O'Leary asked that we respond to your October 20, 1993, letter regarding our work at a General Motors facility in southeastern Michigan. Located at 1450 Beecher Street in Adrian, the facility was operated by companies that worked under contract for the former Atomic Energy Commission to perform extrusion work on thorium and depleted, natural, and slightly enriched uranium. Workers produced rods and tubes that were used as fuel elements in nuclear production reactors located in South Carolina and Washington State. Radiological contamination from thorium and uranium processing operations was removed between 1950 and 1962, and the General Services Administration subsequently sold the restored property. The facility is currently owned and operated by Inland Fisher Guide, a division of the General Motors Corporation, to produce manufactured automobile components.

More stringent radiological standards went into effect after the initial cleanup, so we performed additional decontamination work in 1976 and 1979. We decided to place the site in our Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program in 1985 after detecting residual thorium and uranium contamination that was inaccessible during earlier decontamination work. The remaining contamination is so slight that it poses no threat to workers, public, or the environment. We are collaborating with General Motors to schedule this work in such a way that it does not interfere with manufacturing operations at the Adrian plant. The estimated cost of the remaining clean up is expected to be less than \$2 million.

We hope this information allows you to respond to your constituents' inquiry. Please let me know if we can provide further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas P. Grumbly".

Thomas P. Grumbly
Assistant Secretary for Environmental
Restoration and Waste Management

cc:
The Honorable Carl Levin
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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SUBJ: WASTE
CLEANUP
INQUIRY REGARDING SCHEDULED
CLEANUP OF THE GENERAL MOTORS
SITE

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October 20, 1993

The Honorable Hazel O'Leary
Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue SW
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Dear Ms. O'Leary:

Sisters Carol Gilbert and Ardeth Platte have contacted my office about a closed General Motors facility in southeastern Michigan that was formerly a nuclear weapons production site.

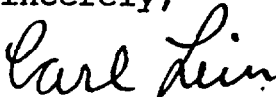
Sisters Gilbert and Platte have several questions and concerns regarding this site. Specifically, they would like to know:

- *Where is the General Motors site?
- *When is it scheduled for clean-up?
- *What is the amount of money needed for clean-up?
- *How many years did the site operate?
- *What are the contaminants on the site?

I would appreciate your looking into this matter for me and addressing the above questions. Please forward any correspondence to my Southgate office listed below.

Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Sincerely,



Carl Levin

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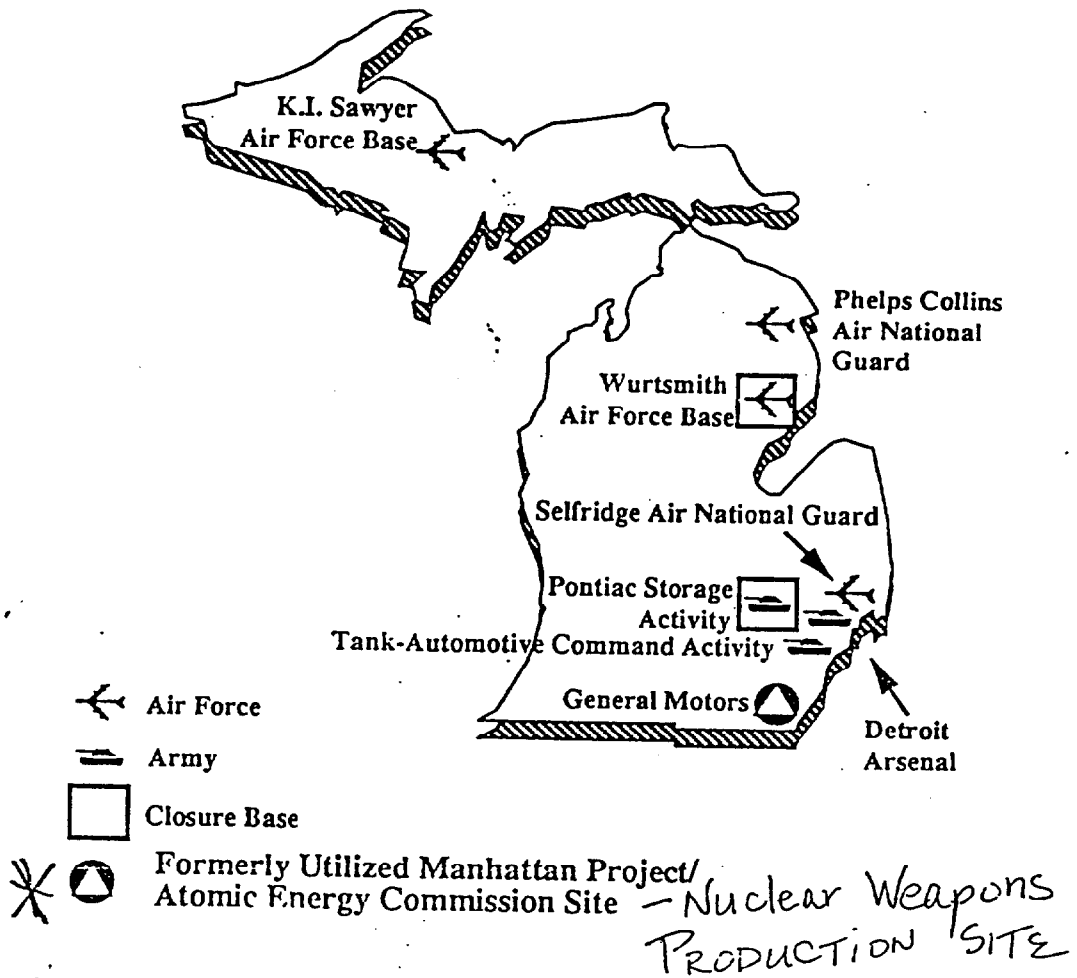
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Assigned By: EMCC	As'gn Date: 10/27/93	Commit No: 9307311
EM-1	Doc't Date: 10/20/93	E.S. No: 93-022887
Assigned To: WHITFIELD	Due Date: 11/08/93	
EM-40	Est-123 Date: / /	
	To ES Date: / /	
	Comp Date: 12/02/93	

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Subject: WASTE CLEANUP INQUIRY REGARDING SCHEDULED CLEANUP OF THE GENERAL MOTOR SITE

External Concurrences Required:

By:
 From: CI/1, EH

Referrals:	Referred From	Referred To	Orig Date	Due Date	For	Comp Date
	WHITFIELD EM-40	PEROTTI EM-42	10/28/93	11/05/93	ACT	/ /

Status: --- 12/02/93 ----- HARRISS -----
 RECDV ES DISP, YLW CPY RETURNED TO EM-421 W/CPY TO EM-40, CLOSED IN EM FILES, 12/2 (SRH)
 --- 11/30/93 ----- HARRISS -----
 RECDV IN EMCC, /S/GRUMBLY, SENT PKG TO ES FOR DTD & DISP, 11/30 (SRH)
 --- 11/29/93 ----- MATUSIK -----
 EM-1 SGND, 11/26/93; EMCC--CI CONCURRENCE ASAP, 11/29/93 (BAM)
 --- 11/19/93 ----- HARRISS -----
 RECDV CI CONC, SENT PKG TO FRONT OFFICE FOR RVW & SIGNATURE, 11/19 (SRH)
 --- 11/18/93 ----- HARRISS -----
 CALL CAME IN FROM PAUL BLOM IN REGARDS TO THIS PKG, HE WANTED TO MAKE CORRECTIONS, SENT TO PKG TO EM-40 TO MAKE CORRECTIONS, RECEIVED PKG FROM EM-40 WITH CORRECTIONS MADE, SENDING PKG TO CI FOR CONC, 11/18 (SRH)
 --- 11/18/93 ----- BENNETT -----
 PKG CORRECTIONS MADE PER P. BLOM AND RETURNED TO EMCC AT 9:00 AM 11/18 (LBB)
 --- 11/18/93 ----- HARRISS -----
 RECDV IN EMCC, SENT TO CI-20 FOR CONC, 11/18 (SRH)
 --- 11/17/93 ----- MATUSIK -----
 EMCC--CI FOR CONC, ASAP, 11/17/93 (BAM)
 --- 11/15/93 ----- HARRISS -----
 RECDV CALL FROM EH, EH DOES NOT NEED TO CONC PER JAN STUBBLEFIELD, SENT TO FRONT OFFICE FOR RVW & SIGNATURE, 11/15 (SRH)
 --- 11/08/93 ----- HARRISS -----
 RECDV IN EMCC, SENT TO EH FOR CONC, 11/8 (SRH)
 --- 11/08/93 ----- HARRISS -----
 BABULTIZ AND WHITFIELD CONCR., FAXED CONCR. TO EM-40 AND PKG PULLED OFF THE "R" DRIVE AND ASSEMBLED AND TO EMCC TO DIRECT THE PKG TO EM-1 ON 11/5 (LBB)

