



**CLEANUP ANALYSIS AND  
INFORMATION REPOSITORY AVAIL-  
ABLE FOR THE TONAWANDA SITE,  
BUILDING 30 - PRAXAIR PROPERTY**

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has released for public comment an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) report that documents the evaluation of interim cleanup options for the Praxair Building 30 on the Praxair property located at 175 E. Park Drive in Tonawanda, New York. The results of the study are documented in the EE/CA.

**Site History**

From 1942 to 1946, Praxair (formerly Linde Air Products) was contracted by the Manhattan Engineer District (MED) to separate uranium from ore at its Tonawanda facilities. Building 30, located in the northeastern quadrant of the property, was one of the primary facilities used for uranium processing. MED activities at Praxair were discontinued in 1946 and the facilities were decontaminated and decommissioned from 1949-1952. Since that time, cleanup standards have been revised resulting in the requirement to do additional decontamination of residual material.

**Cleanup Options/Preferred Option**

After considering a number of cleanup options, DOE analyzed two options in the EE/CA report: (1) conduct no interim action, and (2) dismantlement of Building 30 and shipment of the building rubble to a licensed radioactive material disposal site. DOE's evaluation has recommended option (2) dismantlement of Building 30.

**To Request Report and Submit Comments**

DOE welcomes your comments on the EE/CA. You may review the EE/CA in the information repository and administrative record along with other documents related to the environmental review process at the Tonawanda Public Library, 333 Main Street, Tonawanda, NY, or at DOE's Public Information Office, 810 Sheridan Drive, Tonawanda, NY. You can request copies of the EE/CA by calling the Public Information Office, (716) 871-9660 or by calling DOE's toll-free, public access number (1-800) 253-9759. Please leave a message and your call will be returned promptly.

Please send your written comments on the EE/CA to DOE at the address listed below. To assure consideration, your comments should be received by December 20, 1996.

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