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Mr. Joe Ledvina
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Dear Mr. Ledvina:

The incinerator project proceeds about as the earlier schedules indicated. The Keystone Local Review Committee completed their report and that report was mailed to you. If you want more copies of the report, which is a part of the application, we have an ample supply.

Local units of government have adopted resolutions in opposition to the project and the RASH group remains active in their opposition. Although disappointing, their efforts track fairly closely activities at other proposed facilities and should be expected from concerned citizens. A certain amount of misinformation has been noticed, such as "the world's largest incinerator," "undocumented data," comparison to the El Dorado, Arkansas unit, "burning of unknown types of wastes," etc. The Texas Water Commission's review of the permit will thoroughly evaluate air emission data, operating procedures, safeguards, controls, etc., and we have no exposure in any technical area since the processes and equipment exceed normal requirements. We will continue to work with the agencies to provide any additional information they require.

The permit application was delivered to TWC on November 25, 1986. We received their first letter relative to administrative completeness on January 16, 1987, and our complete response is due in their office no later than February 15, 1987. That response will be completed within the 30 day time period. When TWC determines the application to be administratively complete, we will make copies available for public review. The following updated schedule is based on the most recent information to TWC and our best evaluation of those "loose" areas.

Receipt of TWC Administrative Completeness letter	January 16, 1987
GCA response complete	February 15, 1987
TWC/TACB initiate review	February 26, 1987
TWC/TACB complete review - submit notice of required changes to GCA	April 2, 1987
GCA response complete	May 2, 1987
TWC Initial Draft Permit	June 2, 1987
TWC Final Draft Permit	July 16, 1987
Earliest date for Public Hearing	September 10, 1987

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Projected date - Examiner's Recommendation
Projected date of TWC action

December 1987
February 1987

- o Design period - 4 months
- o Construction period - 15 months
- o Trial burn period - 6 weeks
- o Anticipate trial burns November/December 1989
- o Anticipate initial operations January 1990

We feel that the issue of bringing in wastes from outside the area is the most significant area of public concern. We are containing our efforts to secure more local industry commitments and will hold that reserve we had previously committed for later Texas City industries. If we can secure additional users from the local area, their usage would come out of the present 18 percent "open" category - not the 15 percent Texas City industry reserve. This is consistent with our commitments to the local concerns.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



Joe P. Teller
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