



Douglas Ballotti, Director
Superfund & Emergency Management Division
US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5
77 W. Jackson Blvd., SR-6J
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: National Priority List / Request to Withdraw Proposal / Site 0153

Dear Mr. Ballotti:

The City of Indianapolis (City) is providing this letter in support of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management's (IDEM's) request that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), Region 5, withdraw its April 7, 2016, proposal of the Riverside Groundwater Contamination, Marion County, Indiana (Site 0153) to the Superfund National Priorities List (NPL).

The primary environmental concerns at Site 0153 are the five chlorinated volatile organic compounds (cVOCs) found in the drinking water aquifers used by a portion of Indianapolis. Today, many of the production wells within Site 0153 are showing non-detections in the raw water, and the rest of the wells are showing cVOC levels in the raw water below the maximum contamination levels (MCLs) specified for finished water under the Safe Drinking Water Act.

Moreover, the cVOC contamination levels in these production wells have been decreasing over time. Additionally, IDEM and Citizens Energy Group (CEG) have developed a robust and protective contingency plan should an MCL be exceeded in raw production well water in the future.

The City has followed IDEM and CEG's efforts to address contaminant concentrations in the groundwater, and agrees that contaminants are being effectively reduced and that adequate information has been developed to understand the nature and extent of Site 0153 impacts and the overall risks associated with impacts to the Wellfields. The City of Indianapolis supports IDEM's request to de-propose Site 0153 for the NPL.



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If you have any questions or comments concerning the matter, please contact me at (317) 327-5131, Scarlett.Martin@indy.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scarlett Andrews Martin". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Scarlett Andrews Martin
Director

cc: Piers Kirby, Principal Program Manager – Brownfield Redevelopment
Anne Mullin O'Connor – Corporation Counsel



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