From: Sweigard, Kimberly A. on behalf of Murry, Fredrick J.

To: "gvlcoopers@aol.com"

Cc: citycomm; citymgr; Hutton, Richard H; John Mousa

Subject:

Tuesday, July 06, 2010 4:45:08 PM

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Dear Ms. Cooper:

Thank you for your e-mail dated June 18th which was forwarded to the City Manager's Office for a response to your questions about the USEPA Final Feasibility Study (FS) for the Koppers Superfund site dated May 2010. The Local Intergovernmental Review Team (Local Team) (consisting of representatives from the Alachua County Environmental Protection Department, Gainesville Regional Utilities, Alachua County Health Department, Gainesville City Manager's office, as well as City Consultants) has been reviewing and providing comments and recommendations to the USEPA and FDEP on a variety of technical documents which support the remedial plan for the Cabot-Koppers Superfund Site.

EPA published the final Feasibility Study in May of this year. The Local Team has provided some comments to USEPA addressing technical issues and improvements requested in the final FS. The final FS reviews all of the potential technologies for cleaning up the site. In addition, it outlines 13 alternatives for implementing combinations of technologies, but does not specify the proposed cleanup approach. There will not be available time to hold public discussions about the final FS before the Proposed Plan is released by USEPA. In the Proposed Plan (anticipated to be released July 15) EPA will propose a cleanup plan for the site. This document is the most critical of these documents.

The Local Team is proposing to hold two (2) public meetings on the Proposed Plan including some evaluation of the alternatives in the FS. However the primary focus of these meetings will be on the Proposed Plan. Dates for these meetings will be set when the Proposed Plan has been released after July 15th. Once the Proposed Plan is released, the Team will work with the community stakeholders (Homeowners/Residents, Neighborhood Associations, TAG group, and other interested parties) to request their review of the Proposed Plan. Upon completion of the community review, the Team will hold a public meeting to get public input on the Proposed Plan.

Once the public input has been received, the Team will incorporate the comments and information into the preliminary documents which will be presented to the City and County Commission at a Joint City/County Commission meeting, which will be the second public meeting. It is our expectation that the public will provide additional comments which will be incorporated into the final document to be submitted to the USEPA.

In addition to the aforementioned City/County hosted meetings, EPA is proposing to host a public meeting in Gainesville to discuss the Proposed Plan. Upon the release of the Proposed Plan, the EPA will open a thirty (30) day public comment period for input. The City and County Commission has already publicly requested that the EPA extend this public comment period by an additional thirty (30) days. A further request for an extension of another thirty (30) days (to provide a total of 90 days of comment period) may also be made to USEPA to provide adequate time for public and City and County Commission input.

Should you have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Fred Murry Assistant City Manager (352)334-5010

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From: Byrne, Betsy L.

Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 4:29 PM

To: 'gvlcoopers@aol.com'

Cc: citymgr Subject: RE: letter

Good Afternoon --

Your e-mail correspondence has been received by the Mayor and Members of the City Commission and is being shared with the City Manager for a response(s).

Follow-up information will be provided as it is received.

Betsy L. Byrne

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From: gvlcoopers@aol.com [mailto:gvlcoopers@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, June 17, 2010 4:13 PM

To: citycomm Subject: letter

Dear Mayor and commissioners,

When can we expect to see an agenda item for a hearing concerning the most recent Koppers Feasibility study? Public information and input needs to occur at city hall and televised for the public. There are many citizens who would like to be informed and comment. I understand the deadline for citizen input to the EPA is fast approaching.

Thank you, Monica Cooper