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The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Obama,

On behalf of the Alachua County, FL Commission, We are again writing to request your assistance to expedite federal action to address local concerns as a result of the Cabots/Koppers Superfund site located in Gainesville Florida.

As we expressed to you previously, our citizens have been waiting for decades for implementation of corrective actions that can provide adequate safeguards for adjacent neighborhoods and the community water supply.

We seek your assistance in helping the people in the impacted neighborhoods adjacent to the former Kopper's plant. The uncertainty associated with dioxin levels at their homes continues to impose undue stress and anxiety on these people. We continue to desperately need your assistance and your influence in expediting:

- the delineation of the offsite dioxin contamination surrounding the superfund site, including the extent of soil and indoor dust contamination in all potentially affected properties;
- immediate action to provide temporary and permanent relocation of affected residents; and
- analysis by the CDC of the field data to determine and resolve the uncertainties of potential health effects as a result of exposure to dioxin in the area.

Mr. President, please help restore their faith in their elected officials.

Thank you for your service.

Respectfully,

Lee Pinkoson, Chair
Alachua County Commission

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