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August 14, 2002

Mr. Maher Budeir
Remedial Project Manager
USEPA Region 4
Atlanta Federal Center
61 Forsyth Street, SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: Koppers Industries, Inc. Vicinity Soil Sampling Report
Koppers Industries, Inc., 200 NW 23rd Avenue, Gainesville, Florida
EPA ID# FLD980709356
ACEPD# 1658, 0200

Dear Mr. Budeir:

Attached please find a copy of the Koppers Industries, Inc. Vicinity Soil Sampling Report, prepared by the Alachua County Environmental Protection Department (ACEPD). The report presents the results from the soil samples collected by ACEPD staff between April and June of this year from the residential properties immediately adjacent to Koppers Industries, Inc. (KII) located at 200 NW 23rd Avenue in Gainesville, Florida.

Due to the fact that arsenic was detected above area background sample concentrations in several of the samples and because of the grouping of the properties with detectable levels of arsenic, ACEPD requests that USEPA direct Beazer East, Inc. to conduct additional investigation as part of the ongoing Superfund assessment activities to determine whether past industrial practices at the KII site may have contributed to the observed arsenic impacts.

If you have any questions regarding this letter please contact John Mousa or Gus Olmos at (352) 264-6800.

Sincerely,

Chris Bird
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cc: Board of County Commissioners

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Attachments: Koppers Industries, Inc. Vicinity Soil Sampling Report
August 9, 2002 Letter from ACPHD