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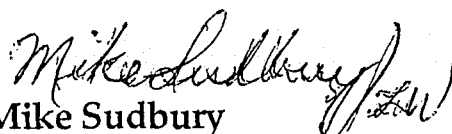
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GARY:

Herewith correspondence and contents listing re the Environment  
Canada Priority Substances Technical Document on Arsenic. Please forward  
copy to Larry Connell if appropriate.

~~Full package in the mail.~~

Best regards

  
Mike Sudbury

P.S. MAC are trying to wrap up response package this week.  
Any comment would be welcomed.



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Dear Mr. Sudbury:

As discussed by telephone, our work on the preparation of the first draft of the document, "Priority Substances List Assessment Report: Arsenic and Its Compounds", is nearing completion.

As such we are submitting for your review the technical sections of the environmental component of the assessment report. The purpose of this report is to identify and critically evaluate all relevant scientific data needed to complete a scientific assessment of the risk posed by arsenic and its compounds to the Canadian environment. The risk to human health is being addressed separately by Health and Welfare Canada.

It would be appreciated if you would comment on, but not be limited by, the following questions.

- 1) Have all the pertinent studies and data been included? If not could you please provide a copy of the reference(s) omitted.
- 2) Are there studies included that should not be? Why?
- 3) Are conclusions valid and scientifically defensible? Is the "logic" of the presentation clear?
- 4) Which studies do you consider critical to the scientific assessment of risk?

Your comments on all aspects of the report would be welcome, but you may wish to focus on those subjects with which you are especially familiar.

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Please note that the document that you have received has not undergone technical editing, which will be completed at a latter date. Also, since this is a draft report, it cannot be cited or circulated.

We would appreciate receiving your written comments, and copies of critical references which we may not have identified, by December 20, 1991.

In the event that you have questions pertaining to the Priority Substances List, some information is enclosed.

Thank you for your assistance and if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call Dr. Patrick Doyle (819) 953-1590.

Your sincerely,

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for David McBain  
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Attach.