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TO: ALL NJ STATE COUNCIL DELEGATES

FROM: MIKE ECKSTEIN

DATE: JANUARY 17, 1993

SUBJECT: STATE COUNCIL POSITION ON DIOXIN TAINTED SLUDGE DUMPING

REFERENCE: ATTACHED ARTICLES

THE DUMPING OF DIOXIN TAINTED SLUDGE FROM NEWARK BAY TO AN AREA SIX MILES OFF THE COAST OF SANDY HOOK MUST BE STOPPED.

THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION, BY THE EPA, OF THE PERMIT ALLOWING THIS DUMPING WILL NOT LAST. WE MUST BECOME PART OF THE GROWING NUMBER OF CONCERNED ORGANIZATIONS VOICING OPINION AGAINST THE DUMPING. THE DIOXIN CONTAMINATION IN THIS SLUDGE COMES FROM THE OLD DIAMOND SHAMROCK PLANT IN NEWARK. THE DIRT SURROUNDING THE PLANT FOUND ITS WAY INTO THE WATERWAY AND DRIFTED INTO NEWARK BAY. DIAMOND SHAMROCK PRODUCED AGENT ORANGE.

OUR ACTION MUST BE DIRECTED TO BOTH PROPONENTS AND OPPONENTS OF THE DUMPING. WE MUST SUPPORT RESOLUTION ACR-105, INTRODUCED BY ASSEMBLYMEN THOMAS SMITH AND STEVE CORODEMUS (BOTH R-MONMOUTH) URGING GOVERNOR FLORIO TO TAKE STEPS TO BLOCK THE DUMPING.

DIOXIN KILLS

