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Here are the informal meeting highlights,
please call w/ specific Q's. Also, time is
tight with the Fact Sheet; but we should
get a draft to you ASAP.

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April 23, 1992

To: Frank Klanchar
Dave Brayack

From: C. Schefer *CJS*

Re: Meeting Highlights - April 22, 1992, 11:00 am
Grumman Corporation, Bethpage, LI, NY.

ATTENDEES

<u>Grumman</u>	<u>HNUS</u>	<u>NYSDEC</u>
Jack Carroll	C. Schefer	Joshua Epstein
Dick Dunne	K. Martin	
John Ohlmann		
a representative		
from Dean Cassell's office		

HIGHLIGHTS

The meeting began with Grumman discussing the long-standing relationship between Grumman and the local community. Of special note was the frequent interaction/communication between Grumman and local agencies/governments.

An early history of Grumman's water problem was given, including the odors emanating from wells, a Congressional hearing which was held in the mid-1970's, and the current status of Grumman using Hicksville and Bethpage municipal water sources for potable needs.

There was a discussion of the regional nature of the water problem on Long Island and that there has been study conducted by the Nassau County Health Department and the USGS investigating water in Nassau County.

Joshua Epstein reported that Grumman's Community Participation Plan (CPP) was good and CP activities have included a public meeting held to present the RI Work Plan. He feels that Navy and HNUS are new actors and would like to see substantial coordination with Grumman.

When discussing the public meeting, all parties present emphatically agreed that a dry-run should be held at least 1 week in advance of the public meeting. Grumman, HNUS, and HNUS on the part of Navy, stated that they were willing to attend the dry-run in Albany (at NYSDEC w/J. Barnes) if that was most convenient to NYSDEC. J. Epstein was asked to remind J. Barnes that his action item from the 4/10/92 telecon was to develop an agenda for the public meeting, complete with suggested time limits. Other specifics about the public meeting and dry-run were put off until later.

When discussing the joint fact sheet, HNUS assured J. Epstein that Navy review should consist of a 24 hour turnaround by F. Klanchar. Navy/HNUS is anticipating getting their fact sheet to NYSDEC early the week of April 27th. Grumman has not begun to put their fact sheet together, although J. Ohlmann was tasked with an action item to develop a statement about the relationship between Navy and Grumman.

When discussing the interviews HNUS will be conducting on behalf of the Navy during the week of April 27th, NYSDEC and Grumman expressed that the interviews may create confusion in the local community, prompting media attention, phone calls to NYSDEC, and public comments.

HNUS responded that a discrete number of community leaders would be contacted and that the purpose was not to rock the boat. Rather, the aim of the interviews is to find out if community leaders are aware of the Navy presence, how is the best way to disseminate information to the public, and get feedback on how Grumman's communication process is working. HNUS will share the findings from these interviews to both NYSDEC and Grumman.

HNUS also responded that Mr. Martin Simonson would be the Navy contact for questions from the public. Grumman suggested HNUS refer citizens to either Dick Dunne (general) or John Ohlmann (technical) if there are any questions about the Grumman investigations.

Grumman shared their understanding of public attitudes/concerns. These included:

1. Recently, Bethpage won a contest for the best tasting water in the country. Bethpage residents are very proud of their water, and contamination may tarnish that.
2. There is a high incidence of breast cancer in Nassau County, with possible links to groundwater contamination.
3. NWIRP Calverton has recently become a very hot topic. Environmental groups have been involved and there has been community uproar. There was the hope that this could be avoided in Bethpage.
4. Residents in Nassau County may be somewhat concerned that the Navy may not respond to their questions in a timely manner or sufficiently remediate the site. There is a real need for the Navy contact to respond in a timely manner.

The meeting concluded that a professional and coordinated public meeting was imperative to effectively educate the public without creating confusion or alarm.