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IN RE: Intent to Prepare a Draft :
Environmental Impact Statement :
for a Proposed Water Treatment :
Residuals Management Process for :
the Washington Aqueduct, :
Washington, D.C. :

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: Considering the alternatives, I hope very much that the Washington Aqueduct Division and the Army Corps of Engineers take into consideration the environmental impact that trucking would have on the communities involved, their near neighbors.

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: I have a few comments or suggestions, One on the processes for dealing with the sediments. I would suggest that you include an examination of the so-called plasma technology. You have listed various other conventional ways of dealing with the processing of the residuals. Here is a potential high tech way of reducing the -- at least the volume of the sediments and, thus, making it more easy to get rid of them.

As you know, I am adamantly opposed to trucking for environmental -- because of the potential environmental impact on residential neighborhoods. But, if you do go to trucking, I think that you should include a provision for hardening the Little Falls Parkway so

1 that it could handle trucks carrying the sediments. That
2 way you are taking the trucks out of the residential
3 areas of the Palisades. You would then go down
4 Dalecarlia and out Massachusetts and over River Road and
5 out to the beltway or wherever you re going.

6 And I think that would be a very useful
7 step in making any truck program compatible with the
8 needs of the Palisades neighborhood.

9 I also would hope that we would get
10 assessments of the costs of the various approaches and
11 their potential -- and some estimates on the potential
12 impact on the rates that water users will pay in the
13 District and elsewhere. I gather that you do contemplate
14 doing that after going through the briefing process.

15 I don t know how much emphasis I would
16 place on the barge in the C&O Canal. I offered that more
17 or less as a joke. I m somewhat startled to see it down
18 as a serious alternative at this point.

19 Any rate, there is a potential there for
20 taking these sediments, dehydrated sediments, back up to
21 the upper stretches of Montgomery County where you have
22 sod farms and so on and replenishing the soil. I gather
23 that this sediment that is of good quality that one

1 alternative is to mix it with the sewer sludge and
2 produce a form of fertilizer. That calls for a kind of
3 cooperation with WUSA and so on that I m not sure is
4 possible. At any rate, I offer that as an idea.

5 I had one other thought. Thats it for
6 now. I'll try to put it all down on paper, but, any
7 rate, there are some thoughts. Thank you very much for
8 listening.

9 (Pause.)

10 : One other thought --
11 _____ again.

12 One other thought is I hope that when we
13 consider Georgetown Reservoir we do not contemplate
14 trucking the sediments out of there back up to some
15 central disposal point, perhaps the Aqueduct on MacArthur
16 Boulevard. That would really raise hob with the
17 neighborhood to have the trucks passing up MacArthur
18 Boulevard and up through the central heart of the
19 Palisades. And I gather you do -- there are possible
20 alternatives of piping it inside your other big pipes and
21 I would just urge that you do that.

22 Thank you.

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