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**FAX to: Dennis McQuillan, State of New Mexico Environment  
Department**

**From: Larry Weaver (505-846-1511)**

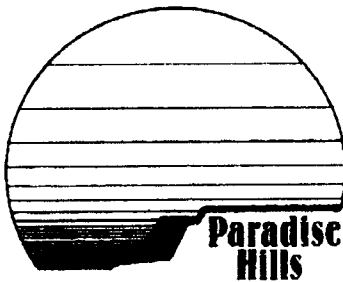
Dear Mr. McQuillan:

Here is a FAX copy of the letter I'm sending out tomorrow to the EPA regarding the Sparton Cleanup in Albuquerque. Thank you for your testimony last Thursday. Please let me know if I can be of any assistance.

Larry Weaver

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**Paradise Hills  
Civic Association, Inc.**

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United States Environmental Protection Agency  
Hazardous Waste Enforcement Branch  
Technical Waste Section (6EN-HX)  
Attn: Vincent Malott, Project Manager  
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Subject: Corrective Measures Action Plan for Sparton Technology  
Hazardous Waste Cleanup, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Malott:

This letter documents the position of the Paradise Hills Civic Association with respect to the proposed alternatives for the Sparton cleanup:

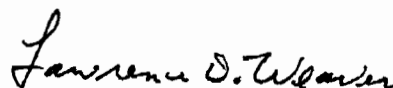
- Alternative #1 (No Action) and Alternative #2 (Statue Quo) are unacceptable to our Association.
- The Association prefers Alternative #5.
- The Association does not want to see Sparton or any of its contractors entrusted with security of any of the monitoring wells. Either the state of New Mexico, Bernalillo County, or the City of Albuquerque should be responsible for sealing the wells and for their security. We also think that Sparton should pay for all work performed by any or all of the responsible agencies.

With respect to the third bullet, the potential for tampering and the opportunity to tamper with the wells is high and entrusting Sparton with policing its own actions is akin to letting criminals be the judge of their own actions. Without adequate safeguards, as we've proposed, there is nothing to prevent Sparton from diluting the wells a few days prior to drawing water samples for analysis. We're concerned about Sparton's lack of candidness and its apparent lapse of integrity and accountability when it

failed to include recent monitoring data in the public record. Were it not for the diligence of the city of Albuquerque's Water Resources Department and its concern for the area's water supply the public might not have ever found out about the extent of the contamination and its rapid spread. Sparton is without a doubt indifferent to the integrity and safety of this valuable and limited resource. Its behavior borders on criminal and we feel an investigation is in order. As I stated in my testimony on February 1 I have been told of Sparton employees dumping waste directly onto the ground. This too needs investigation.

My neighborhood is following this issue with great interest,

Sincerely,



Lawrence D. Weaver  
Vice President

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