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**MESSAGE:** 09/04/98 Joint Status Report

September 4, 1998

By telefax

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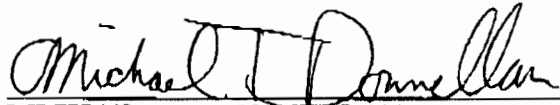
Dear Judge DeGiacomo:

As agreed at the August 26, 1998 settlement conference, we submit this joint status report. The parties have agreed that the next stage of settlement negotiations will be to negotiate workplans describing the cleanup actions to be taken at the site. To that end, Plaintiffs will submit to Sparton detailed outlines describing the workplans. Outlines relating to off-site containment and soil vapor extraction will be submitted by the close of business on Friday, September 4, 1998. Outlines relating to on-site source control and restoration will be submitted by close of business on Wednesday, September 9, 1998. All parties will participate in a conference call on Thursday, September 17, 1998 to discuss and finalize the proposed outlines. At that time, Sparton will begin drafting workplans to be submitted by a mutually agreed upon deadline. At the settlement conference in Albuquerque in October, the parties hope to resolve any outstanding disagreements concerning the outlines of the workplans and to evaluate the progress in drafting the workplans.

Pursuant to the Court's suggestion on August 26, 1998, the parties have attached a proposed order for Judge Hansen's signature extending the litigation stay in this matter through October 15, 1998. All parties have approved this proposed order. The parties would appreciate the Court's assistance in submitting this proposed order to Judge Hansen for signature.

Respectfully submitted,

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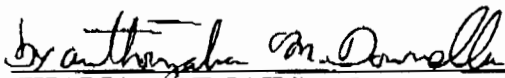
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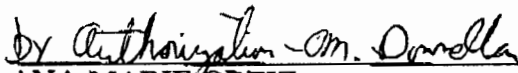
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