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Dear Sir:

The public hearing held on 4 May 2001 in Roswell on the draft permit for the Gandy-Marley Inc. hazardous waste landfill project was well attended. Officials from the Environment Dept. indicated that the current draft permit was flawed and needed to be amended or even rewritten. It appears that the cutoff date of 15 May 2001 for acceptance of public responses is also flawed and should be extended with new public hearings scheduled.

The GMI officials gave a thorough explanation of the project and it appears to be very carefully planned.

There are 3 areas of concern I have that were not addressed and need careful consideration and explanation.

1) Although the area selected for the project was shown to be devoid of possible water contamination, the project officials admitted that the project will require a large amount of water to operate

How much will be needed, where will they obtain it and at what cost?

2) Since hazardous waste will be passing through Roswell, Tatum and other SE New Mexico communities what effort will be made to assure that these trucks/trailers will move safely and that arrangements for emergency in the event of spillage will be addressed ahead of time.

3) Will the nature of the material being transported be known before arrival at the project site or will it be analyzed at the site and if not suitable for acceptance - then what?

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this matter.

Sincerely yours,
William F. Briney