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*Sent via email*

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Subject: Response to Your Letter Dated March 24, 2010  
B.F. Goodrich Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Wyatt:

We received your March 24, 2010, letter regarding EPA's March 12, 2010, comments on the Final Remedial Investigation Report (the "Report") prepared pursuant to EPA Administrative Order on Consent 2009-01 (the "AOC").

Your letter does not challenge the substance of our comments, but appears to express the belief that our comments were unnecessary or inappropriate. We disagree. We routinely comment when we differ with the interpretations or conclusions provided in an investigation report.

You also appear to believe that EPA had an obligation to provide a complete set of comments on a draft version of the Report verbally rather than in writing. We have no such obligation, made no such commitment, and believe that doing so would be inconsistent with our goal of conducting government business in a manner transparent to the public.

There are other statements in your letter with which we disagree, but there is little value in debating them at this time. If you wish to discuss any matters related to the AOC or the B.F. Goodrich Site, please contact Michele Benson of the Office of Regional Counsel at 415-972-3918.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wayne Praskins".

Wayne Praskins  
EPA Project Manager