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**Pompton Lakes Environmental Community Advisory Group (CAG)
July 2011 Meeting Summary**

Site Name: DuPont Pompton Lakes RCRA
Meeting Location: Carnevale Center, 10 Lenox Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey
Meeting Date: July 6, 2011
Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:45 p.m. EDT

Future CAG Meeting Times

- Wednesday, August 3, 2011, 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. EDT
Location: Carnevale Center, 10 Lenox Avenue, Pompton Lakes, NJ

Members and Alternates Present: Steve Grayberg (Pompton Lakes Lake Restoration Committee), Liz Kachur (In-Plume Resident), Art Kaffka (Chamber of Commerce), Ed Meakem (alternate for Michele Belfiore, Pompton Lakes Residents for Environmental Integrity), Tim Newton (alternate for Tim Troast, In-Plume Resident), Abby Novak (Pompton Lakes Environmental Committee)

New Members added at meeting: Ella Filippone (Regional Environmental Organization), Jimmy Rose (In-Plume Resident), John Soojian (Acid Brook Vicinity)

Technical Assistance Services for Communities (TASC) Team: Bill Logue, Kirby Webster

Ex Officio Members Present:

Pompton Lakes Borough Council: Richard Steele

United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): David Kluesner, Clifford Ng, Barry Tornick, Barbara Finazzo

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP): Mindy Mumford, Anthony Cinque, Steve Maybury

Public Present: George Popov, David Terry, Cheryl Rubino, Barbara Doka, Jefferson H. LaSala, Terri Reicher, Carolyn Fefferman, H. Kinkade, Flint Kinkade, Donald Souton, Mike Keough, Ed Merrill, Mike Serra

I. Welcome and Administrative Updates

Bill Logue welcomed everyone and reviewed the agenda and meeting materials.¹ The June meeting summary was approved with minor revisions. Richard Steele (Pompton Lakes Borough Council) agreed to provide Borough Council meeting updates at future meetings.

II. Agency Updates

Technical Assistance Requests

David Kluesner (EPA R2) updated the CAG on the technical assistance request for understanding the 10 contaminants for which DuPont is responsible for remediating. Skeo Solutions, the TASC contractor, has been directed to provide an independent technical advisor. EPA has compiled documents for review and a report is expected as early as September.

Vapor Intrusion System Installation

Barry Tornick (EPA R2) explained that two third-party installers (Tom Hatton of Clean Vapor and Gunnar Barr of OBAR Systems) have been approved for installing vapor intrusion systems. The contractor submittal forms for 43 systems have been approved by NJDEP. EPA has received designs for 25 of the 43 systems. Langan (EPA contractor) reviews designs within a week. Any issues are resolved with the third-party installer and the design is then sent to DuPont and O'Brien & Gere for review within five days. DuPont reviews because it is responsible for payment and to ensure no financial liability for the homeowner. To date, 11 of the designs have been approved and 10 systems have been installed. EPA is waiting for the remaining designs to be submitted for review. Once designs are approved, the third-party contractor arranges for installation which is observed by Langan. Once installation is complete and post mitigation samples have been collected, the contractor submits a remedial measures report to NJDEP for review and approval.

Response on Resolution for Unannounced Audits

Mr. Kluesner explained that the agencies will provide regular updates on CAG resolutions. Concerning the resolution on unannounced audits, EPA's enforcement division conducted an unannounced site visit on May 5, 2011 at the DuPont site.² He explained that neither DuPont nor non-enforcement EPA staff members were advised in advance of the site visit. The inspectors were given free access; they checked monitoring wells and the treatment system and reviewed records. The inspectors did not find anything out of order. The RCRA site visit summary is located at: http://www.epa.gov/region2/waste/dupont_pompton/additionaldocs.html.

Anthony Cinque (NJDEP) explained that he and Anne Pavelka were on the DuPont site to view on-site sampling and drilling associated with the ground water remediation pilot test and audit the DuPont Total Organic Carbon sampling procedures at MW-107R. No deficiencies in DuPont's procedures were found.

Mr. Cinque responded to a question that NJDEP is anticipating receiving the flow study results for the pilot plan by August to determine if the bioremediation project will move forward. This document will also contain other options for remediation in the shallow aquifer in the event that

¹ Meeting materials are located at: http://www.epa.gov/region2/waste/dupont_pompton/cag.html

² The RCRA Site Visit and Assessment Report is located at:
http://www.epa.gov/region2/waste/dupont_pompton/cag.html

enhanced anaerobic bioremediation is not successful. Mr. Cinque explained that NJDEP compiled a list of 15 enhanced anaerobic bioremediation sites in New Jersey (Addendum 1). It includes: site name, program interest (PI) number, address and status (full scale, pilot or pilot proposed). He explained that many of the full scale remediations have been successful. For example, one of the sites had volatile organic compound (VOC) impacts in soils and ground water. The results show starting VOC levels around 200-300 parts per billion (ppb) with non-detect VOC levels after six to 10 years. Steve Maybury (NJDEP) explained that studies are site specific. The flow study is key in showing whether the remediation will be successful in Pompton Lakes. He explained that there is no soil contamination in the residential area and Pompton Lakes is similar to the above mentioned study area in terms of having soil removal on site and off-site plume migration.

Status of Information Requests On Vapor Intrusion Sites and Anaerobic Bioremediation Sites

NJDEP does not specifically track vapor intrusion so at this time does not have a list of vapor intrusion sites. A list of sites where enhanced anaerobic bioremediation has been used is Addendum 1.

Other Agency Updates

Mr. Kluesner explained that the TASC contract renews on July 23 and a lapse in funding during renewal is possible such that facilitation assistance will not be available in August. Mr. Kluesner explained that some CAGs take a month off in the summer. The ultimate goal for the CAG is to be self sufficient. He commended the CAG for all of their hard work and how well they are functioning. The CAG stated that it plans to meet in August, so EPA staff will facilitate if necessary.

Mr. Cinque addressed the concern about Municipal Well 3 drinking water contamination. The Bureau of Safe Drinking Water has 15-20 years of data for this well.³ Mr. Cinque believes that wells are sampled quarterly. Mr. Cinque and Rob Lux (NJDEP) reviewed all of the data available for the Well 3 and found that the only time contamination was found was one instance in 1985. The contamination was 1,1,1-trichloroethane at 31 ppb (the standard is 30 ppb). NJDEP considers the plume delineated. Mr. Cinque showed a map with Municipal Well 3 and noted that the well depth, geology and ground water flow do not link it to the DuPont site. Mindy Mumford explained that the language in a timeline created and discovered during an Open Public Records Act (OPRA) review was grammatically confusing and that it was actually private wells that were contaminated. FAQs about MW-3 already exist on the NJDEP website and can be found in FAQ #9 of the document entitled "March 2010 Frequently Asked Questions". Although the timeline document was labeled confidential, it is not.

III. Administrative Issues and Elections to CAG

Administrative Issues

Liz Kachur, Administrative Committee Chair, explained there were a number of items that needed to be voted on by the CAG. The first was the stakeholder position of "former plume resident." Mrs. Kachur explained that the Administrative Committee was concerned that the definition of the stakeholder position might be too limited and finding an alternate that fits the

³ Link to data: www.nj.gov/dep/watersupply/monitoring.htm

definition could be difficult. It was explained that the seat was made and advertised previously and only one person had any interest in it. After discussion, the seat was removed by a vote of 5-1.

The following items were suggested changes in the Operating Procedures:

1. All voting on personnel matters would require a two-thirds majority.

Mr. Grayberg explained that personnel matters are important and deserve importance in vote as well. The CAG discussed where this would cause changes in the Operating Procedures. Several members expressed concern that this was a high requirement. The proposed change failed by a vote of 4-2.

2. All alternates would need to be voted on before being designated.

Mr. Grayberg explained that when alternates are present, they are voting and contributory in place of the member. If a member has scheduling difficulty for an extended period, their alternate could be sitting at the table for a long time. Another CAG member suggested that alternates should represent the same interests of their CAG member, and the responsibility should be on the CAG member to choose an alternate that represents the same interests.

The proposed change was passed by a vote of 4-2.

3. Executive Session needs to be more clearly defined.

Mrs. Kachur explained that going into Executive Session seems to be for awkward situations. Mr. Logue explained that this is to promote candor in the discussion of nominees. Mr. Logue suggested that Executive Session could be held for nominations, removal or addition of a stakeholder interest or CAG member. Mr. Logue suggested that each situation be discussed at that time. No Operating Procedure changes were made.

Mrs. Kachur suggested advance notice for adding a stakeholder position at a meeting.

4. Page 3, Section 4 of the Operating Procedures footnote needs to reflect the recent changes made by the CAG in terms of their membership.

Unanimously approved.

Mr. Logue suggested removing Footnote b on the bottom of Page 8 about posting recordings of CAG meetings on the Internet since this has not been done.

All CAG members were in favor of this change.

Mrs. Kachur explained that the Administrative Committee discussed a request that CAG e-mails be made available to the public. Mr. Meakem explained that as a member of PLREI he feels that all e-mails should be available to his stakeholder group. The discussion continued with several members stating that no decisions are made through e-mail and that topics discussed in e-mail

are discussed at the next CAG meeting. Some felt that they would not be able to be as open with their e-mails if they were viewable by everyone and some expressed concerns about draft documents being sent out prematurely if e-mails were accessible to everyone. Several CAG members expressed concern that they do not receive all of the e-mails or receive them via forwards which means they receive them after the fact. The CAG discussed the difference between personal e-mail conversation and e-mailing the full CAG.

Mr. Logue explained that he facilitates groups that handle e-mails both ways: for some, e-mail stays within a group and other groups set up a publically viewable Google Group. With the latter, anyone can look at the e-mails, but only group members can send and receive. He cited the Long Fellow Bridge Task Force (<http://groups.google.com/group/LongfellowTaskForce/topics>) as an example of viewable emails. For general information sharing he cited the West Valley Citizen Task Force (www.westvalleyctf.org).

Jefferson LaSala raised the issue of whether CAG e-mails are subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). He believes that the public should be allowed to comment on all conversations going on within the CAG. He believes the CAG is a decision making body because there is voting and that it is unfair that the public is not informed between meetings. A member explained that nothing goes on between CAG meetings that is not discussed at a meeting. Mr. Logue discussed member responsibilities to keep their constituents informed and compared the group to a congressional representation. NJDEP and EPA maintain websites with documents relating to CAG activities.

The Administrative Committee will draft a protocol for who is included on e-mails and make a recommendation on addressing the request to have e-mails viewable to the public.

Elections

Mrs. Kachur asked the nominees to speak briefly about themselves (see biographical information in Addendum 2). The nominees included: 1) Ella Filippone, who represents the Passaic River Coalition, was nominated to fill the regional environmental organization seat; 2) Jimmy Rose was nominated to fill the plume resident or property owner seat; and 3) John Soojian was nominated for the Acid Brook vicinity stakeholder seat.

The CAG agreed to waive an executive session to discuss the candidates. The public was given the opportunity to comment and ask questions of the nominees.

Jefferson LaSala asked the nominees if they have business dealings, own stock, or have any money with DuPont. Ms. Filippone and Mr. Rose said they did not. Mr. Soojian explained that he did preparation construction work in a friend's home that needed a basement floor installed in order to install a vapor mitigation system. Mr. Soojian was paid by DuPont for this construction work. He explained that if he was asked to do this kind of work again, he would. He also explained that he is on the board for the Pompton Lakes Business Improvement District (BID) which is paid for by an assessment from the town on business. Because DuPont is a large tax payer in the town, their BID assessment is large. BID budgets are approved by the town and meetings are open to the public. Mr. Soojian agreed to disclose if he enters into a business relationship with DuPont. Mr. Soojian mentioned that DuPont is considering solar energy

production on the site at some point. DuPont would like to produce energy beyond the needs of the facility to benefit the town. This could provide energy for more than 50 percent of the town's energy needs.

Based on written ballots, all nominees were welcomed to the CAG.

IV. Community Outreach Work Group Update and Discussion

John Soojian, chairperson of the Community Outreach Work Group explained that since the last CAG meeting, the group met about:

1. Lake remediation awareness and the upcoming DuPont poster session scheduled for an afternoon and evening session on July 20, 2011 in the gymnasium. Mr. Grayberg organized the creation of a flyer, advertising through e-mail, and the television station WGHT. Unfortunately it is also a council meeting that night. The community outreach group would like NJDEP and EPA to have the presentation material in advance so they are prepared to address public inquiries along with the DuPont representatives.
2. A vapor mitigation system survey was drafted. This will be hand delivered to anyone who has not yet had a system installed. Members will distribute and collect the survey in pairs. CAG member comments on the survey are to be submitted by July 20 and CAG members were asked to volunteer for distribution.
3. Home sales and mortgages within the plume. Mr. Soojian is meeting with a mortgage lender in his office and suggested that anyone who would like to meet with him is welcome.

Mr. Steele suggested the Outreach Work Group update their meeting notes to reflect that the Mayor and Council have not agreed to the CAG's proposal to share funds provided by DuPont for the purposes of issuing public information.

V. Lake Remediation Work Group

Steve Grayberg, chair of the Lake Remediation Work Group, explained that DuPont will hold a public meeting information session to provide information from the Corrective Measures Implementation (CMI) Work Plan. It will be held on July 20, 2011 from 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. and will be promoted in a flyer and the newspaper.

At the June 2011 CAG meeting, the CAG expressed interest in testing Acid Brook for recontamination. Mr. Tornick explained that the Remedial Investigation Report (RI) for the eastern manufacturing area needs to be finalized. There has been remediation on Acid Brook. The drainage is fairly flat on site with retention basins designed to capture sediment that could transport contamination. The potential for contamination or recontamination of Acid Brook is very low.

Several members expressed concern about severe storm events, including hurricanes, and the volume of runoff. Mr. Tornick explained that after remediation, Acid Brook was sampled. Mr. Cinque explained that the remediation removed soil beyond brook boundaries and where water could transport soil, the side boundaries were lined with silt protection. The permeability and predominantly flat areas enhance vertical infiltration. The site is stable as noted from the lack of turbidity during storm events. Mr. Maybury explained that most heavy metal contamination in

the brook was from historical direct discharges into the brook during DuPont active operations. The primary pathway is overland flow of sediments. The data on areas of concern will be reviewed in the RI and assessed as to whether additional data is needed. Representatives of EPA and NJDEP stated they are aware of the CAG's concerns and will take them into account when reviewing the RI report which is anticipated to be completed in August/September. The CAG members stated they would like continued testing. A member asked if the retention basin has been tested and requested a timeline for this testing.

The CAG discussed the issue of broader contamination in the lake beyond the delta. Mindy Mumford indicated that the agencies were developing a plan to work on this with the Lake Restoration Committee because the condition of the lake is not just related to DuPont. NJDEP understands the community concerns and feels education is needed regarding lake contamination and the general quality/health of the lake and the public's desire to fish and swim. Mr. Grayberg explained that there is a growing concern about what can and can not be done.

Ed Meakem asked if samples have been collected from turtles, geese and swans for the Acid Brook Delta cleanup. Ms. Finazzo stated that fish are tested as an exposure pathway because people eat them. It is rare that animals are tested except where a community requests because they may be consumed.

VI. Overview of the Soil Remediation Regulatory Process

For the most part this topic was deferred due to time constraints. There is a 90-day window (after NJDEP approval of the third and final RCRA Facility Investigation report for the Eastern Manufacturing Area) where DuPont prepares the draft Remedial Action Selection Report (RASR) and then submits the draft RASR to NJDEP and EPA for review and ultimately revision of the permit. The community can provide thoughts and viewpoints of future use of the property and September through December would be timely for this input.

VII. Suggestions for Future Meeting Topics

Suggestions for future meeting topics will be e-mailed to Mr. Logue.

Public Comments

Oral Comments

Ed Merrill (Pompton Lakes Environmental Officer): Concerning Municipal Well 3, the initial ground water study was initiated by the closure of the shooting pond. Federal laws were changed to require that impoundments be double lined and the linings would be damaged by blasting. The ponds are on glacial till on impenetrable bed rock terraces. Several geologic barriers would have to be crossed if this contamination was coming from DuPont, but upstream of these wells there are other facilitates that use TCE. Concerning Acid Brook, after it was first remediated, post remediation samples proved it was clean. Testing after Hurricane Floyd also showed it was clean.

Mike Serra: Suggested that the CAG invite a member of Municipal Utility Authority (MUA) to a meeting to answer questions on Municipal Well 3.

Cheryl Rubino: Requested a copy of the survey. She also explained that after the April 20, 2011 meeting she asked that her nomination to the CAG be tabled at that time. She never said she would not serve on the CAG. She believes both CAGs are running well and are focused on different things.

Michael Keough: Asked for clarification on deleting the recording footnote in the Operating Procedures. Mr. Logue clarified that the footnote referenced posting recordings on the Internet which was not done because the files are too large. Mr. Keough explained that the public has access through OPRA and FOIA to information, and because of these this information can not be confidential. Mr. Keough is concerned about people being able to get mortgages for homes in Pompton Lakes and that having a vapor mitigation system makes it more difficult to get a mortgage. An underwriter needs to know what is in the home, from testing, before a mortgage would be able to be secured. He believes that vapor mitigation systems should be put on homes that have intrusion problems, not all homes (just like radon where it is on a case by case basis). He is also concerned that this impacts the value of the homes. He offered to assist in learning about lender decisions about loan underwriting decisions this because he is a licensed realtor and certified appraiser. He explained that mortgages can be obtained if you go through a phase 2 mortgage, he believes. He believes that a home should be tested before the system is put on.

Jefferson LaSala: Is frustrated that the majority of the financial burden is put on the residents instead of DuPont. He believes that the other CAG, the residents' CAG, should be represented at the EPA CAG meetings. The other CAG has orderly meetings and the public can ask questions at any time of the technical experts. The Borough Council, EPA and NJDEP should attend the other CAG meetings. On the Permit by Rule issue, at an earlier permit by rule meeting residents said that if any work was done by DuPont under the permit they wanted a public comment period and public meeting. NJDEP just issued a permit by rule for Barbara Drive without a public comment period. He believes the residents have been ignored over and over and a promise was broken.

George Popov: Expressed concern that he has not received any response to questions from his past submissions. Mr. Popov then presented written questions to the CAG and restated several of them in oral comments. The first question was: How toxic is the pollution along the shorelines above the Lakeside Ave. bridge to the Pompton Lake Dam? Related subquestions asked about testing of shorelines, contamination in sediments and their transport, how the DuPont Acid Brook Delta remediation area related to the remainder of the lake and decision making concerning the remediation area. He stated that the full contamination of the lake has not been documented and needs to be remediated. His second point was that the DuPont site is elevated above the lake and plume area and, as long as the site is not fully remediated, contamination will flow through subterranean aquifers. He asked about the timetable for complete site cleanup and the level and duration of flow into the lake by these mechanisms. The third set of questions cited the Acid Brook Delta Remedial Investigation Report and asked about the depth of mercury contamination and leeching into the sediment and aquifer. The fourth set of questions asked if the use of volume-weighted spatial averaging minimized the apparent levels of toxic chemicals. The last set of questions raised the issue of DuPont setting remediation limits for various pollutants. In conclusion Mr. Popov stated that the entire lake should be remediated to a state where it will be a healthy, safe, and useable.

Action Items

Item	Who; Date
Post meeting documents on EPA Pompton Lakes CAG website	Kluesner; 7/15/2011
Prepare and circulate draft Meeting Summary	Logue; 7/22/2011
Draft August Agenda	Executive Committee; 7/22/2011
Draft recommended e-mail protocol for personal versus public viewing of e-mails	Administrative Committee; 8/3/2011
Comments on vapor intrusion survey and volunteers for survey distribution	CAG and Public; 7/20/2011
Future meeting topics (e-mailed)	CAG and Public; As soon as possible

Documents Distributed

Document Description	Generated by; Date
Meeting Agenda	Logue; 6/23/2011
Draft June Meeting Summary	Webster; 6/23/2011
July 2011 Nominations for CAG Seats	Executive Committee
Technical Work Group Meeting Summary	Technical Work Group; 5/2/2011
Community Outreach Work Group Meeting Summary	Community Outreach Workgroup; 6/20/2011
EPA RCRA Site Visit and Assessment Report	EPA; 6/8/2011
EPA Third Party Mitigation System Installation Process	EPA; 6/23/2011

Addendum 1: List of Facilities Proposing/Using Anaerobic Dechlorination in New Jersey from NJDEP

<i>Facility Name</i>	<i>PI Number</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>County</i>
Browning Ferris Ind. Co.	011522	Porcupine Rd., Pedricktown	Full scale	Salem
Caldwell Trucking Co., Inc.	014133	222 Passaic Ave., Fairfield	Pilot	Essex
Crest Foam Industries, Inc.	G000000409	100 Carol Place, Moonachie	Full Scale	
Ethicon Inc.	003297	Route 22 West, Bridgewater	Full Scale	Middlesex
Filipe Custom Woodworking Inc.	000546	1600 E. Edgar Rd., Linden	Full Scale	Union
General Mills Safer Textile	026381	7 Capital Dr., Moonachie	Pilot	Bergen
Gulton Ind. Inc. Mark IVHS Div.	000033	212 Durham Ave., Metuchen		Middlesex
Kearfott Guidance and Navigation	006570	1150 McBride Ave., West Patterson	Full scale	Passaic
NJDHS N. Princeton Development Park	012336	Route 601, Belle Mead		Somerset
Paul O. Abbe	030796	139 Center Ave., Little Falls	Full Scale	Passaic
Raritan Arsenal	541385	2890 Woodbridge Ave., Edison	Pilot	Middlesex
Union Laboratory	G000001755	Morganville Tennent Rd., Morganville		Monmouth
USDOD Army Picatinny Arsenal	008575	Route 15N, Picatinny	Full Scale	Morris
USDOD Naval Air Propulsion Center	006048	1440 Parkway Ave., Ewing	Pilot	Mercer
White Chemical Co.	NJD980755623	660 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark	Pilot proposed	Essex

Addendum 2: July 2011 Nominations for CAG Seats

Passaic River Coalition / Ella Filippone would represent the group - Nominated for the open Regional Environmental Organization seat

The Passaic River Coalition (PRC) was established as a watershed association in 1969. It works on issues related to water quality, water supply, flooding, drought, and land use. I have been associated with it for 42 years. Perhaps most relevant to the PL CAG is the fact that we established a Ground Water Protection Committee in 1980 after the petition to have the Buried Valley Aquifer Systems of the Central Passaic River Basin designated as a "sole source" aquifer under Section 1424 (e) of the Safe Drinking Water Act by the US Environmental Agency. Since that time, we have worked on research studies, participated in decision-making on hazardous substances and various clean-ups. We are a member of the Lower Passaic River CAG and administer a TAG grant from EPA on this project. I was chair of WMA6 and an advisor to WMA3 and 4. I am currently NJ Chair of the Greenwood Lake Commission, the environmental representative to the NJ Water Supply Advisory Council, liaison to the NJ Clean Water Council, and an appointed member of the EPA's National Advisory Council on Environmental Policy and Technology.

Jimmy Rose Bio- Nominated for open Plume Resident stakeholder position

I live @ 410 Colfax Avenue, between Grant and Schuyler Avenues, with my wife Laura and our two children, ages 14 & 18 years old. We purchased the property in August of 2004, moving into town from Butler. I participate in a 50/50 shared parenting arrangement with my ex-wife, who has lived on Jefferson Avenue (also in the plume) since December of 1998. We moved into Pompton Lakes for the sole purpose of making the shared parenting arrangement easier on our children. I was informed of the DuPont plume issue when I purchased in 2004, but obviously unaware of the vapor mitigation aspect which was communicated to the plume residents in June of 2008. We had the mitigation system installed in our property October 3, 2008.

My past volunteer activities in town include running the open gyms at the Teen Center for 5+ years and being Registrar, Division Supervisor and coach for the Pompton Lakes-Riverdale Soccer Association. I currently volunteer as a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) member, Pompton Day committee member and PAL basketball coach. I accepted a position as alternate on the CAG, and am also on the CAG Community Outreach Committee.

My intention in attending numerous public sessions concerning the vapor intrusion issue was and continues to be to educate myself on the contamination, and to hopefully be a part of the solution going forward. I am concerned only with the total and complete remediation of the DuPont contamination and the eradication of the stigma currently associated with our town as a result of said contamination.

Professionally, I am currently the Manager of Education for Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage for NJ and Rockland County, NY, covering ~55 sales offices and >3200 real estate professionals. I joined the Education Department as a trainer in August of 2008, following several years as a real estate agent in the Coldwell Banker office in Pompton Plains, specializing

in the Pompton Lakes area. Prior to that, I was an electrical engineer in AT&T Bell Labs for 20 years, where I worked on anti-submarine warfare systems, optical amplifiers and global telecommunications systems so I am comfortable with technical issues.

John Soojian bio- Nominated for the Acid Brook Vicinity Stakeholder seat

I live at 421 Lakeside Ave, the last home on the Acid Brook, which flows through my property prior to emptying into the lake. I also own 461 Lakeside Ave, 4 doors away, and in the plume (additional info available on the properties upon request..... testing, mitigation systems, etc.) I am not on the Lake Restoration Committee. However, I am part of an adjunct committee that has been meeting with DuPont representatives to discuss the restoration of the shore line after completion of the Lake remediation.

I have attempted to become informed about the issues involved in the contaminations in Pompton. I have attended many of the public sessions at the high school. I was a member of the panel at the Elks when Congressman Pascrell and Lisa Jackson pledged their assistance to the community. I was also present at the meeting in Washington DC, when members of the municipal government and active plume related residents met with the Congressman and representatives from the offices of our two Senators and DuPont representatives. I have attended seminars hosted by DuPont, one of which was presented by Dr Tom Sale, a research PhD Groundwater Contamination and the remedial alternatives available as possible cures for the contamination, their strengths and weaknesses, and another on the proposed dredging plan for Pompton Lake. In addition I attended a seminar hosted by the EPA, presented by the EPA research scientists at ADA Oklahoma, once again on the topic of groundwater contamination and the results.

I am also the chairman of the BID (Business Improvement District) in Pompton, an organization whose primary purpose is to promote the revitalization of Downtown Pompton lakes. As such this group and its goals are directly impacted, both emotionally and geographically by the contamination issues in Pompton Lakes.