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As per our conversation, please find the following issues that should be highlighted to EPA.

- They have to re-emphasize to the public that the program is to reassure people. They cannot be quoted in the NY Times "The agency says ordinary home cleaning cannot remove asbestos, toxic metals or dioxins. Specialized vacuums are required." (Barbara Stewart article of 8/7.)
- The idea to extend the HOTLINE for 45 days beyond 9/3 is problematic. We don't want a billboard approach. The residents have had ample time to call in since the first phase of the program. (The HOTLINE opened on 6/3.) This coincides with a 3-month opportunity to the day. We are looking for closure.
- They cannot allow contractors to go out and solicit work. The program is announced by EPA and under the direction of EPA. We can't have contractors creating confusion to people that are not interested nor in need of a test or cleanup. This needs to be articulated to the contractors during the pre-qualified bid meeting. We need to inform the potential bidders if solicitation is used, they will be in default and removed from the program. This can't be a program driven by contractor dollars.
- While it seems impossible to accommodate Jane with respect to air sampling, piggy-backed on existing contracts (exterior) you will see what can be done. (The next day, sing her a chorus of the Impossible Dream, get what you need from her and tell her you will find a way – What a guy!)
- We need the testing results from 110 Liberty Street even though they have not been able to do a complete QA. It is necessary that we have something to guide our 125 Cedar Street scope of work and program. (This is what they are holding from us as discussed.)