



TO: Bennington State Office Building Stakeholder Team

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RE: Soil Testing Update

DATE: February 8, 2007

Soil samples were taken on January 25 from six locations to test for PCBs, zinc and beryllium. EPA's mobile lab tested for PCBs and NONE were detected. This was reported on February 1.

The samples were also sent to Endyne Laboratory in Williston to expedite testing for zinc and beryllium.

- Testing by Endyne Laboratory revealed NO beryllium.
- Zinc was detected at very low levels – well below any level of concern. The highest zinc result was 236 milligrams per kilogram of soil (mg/kg). EPA lists 23,000 mg/kg as the level that would trigger a risk evaluation for a residential site, and 100,000 mg/kg for an industrial site.