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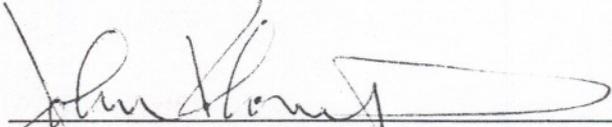
Dr. Dale Klein
Assistant Secretary of Defense
Nuclear, Chemical and Bio Defense Programs
3050 Defense Pentagon
Washington D.C. 20301-3050

Dear Dr. Klein:

At the meeting of the Colorado Citizens' Advisory Commission (CAC) held on Wednesday, January 28, 2004, the attached resolution was discussed by the CAC and the public and was approved unanimously by the CAC.

In submitting this resolution, I look forward to following up by meeting with you to discuss this further.

Sincerely,



John L. Klomp, Chair
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cc: Mr. Patrick Wakefield

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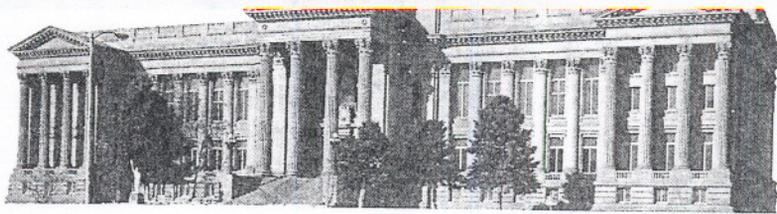
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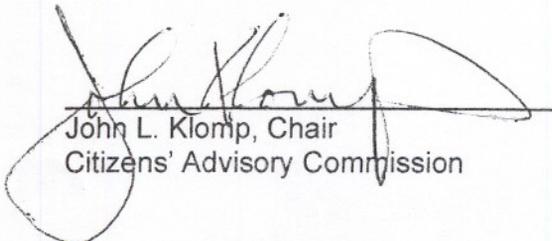
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RESOLUTION

Be it resolved that:

1. The Colorado Citizens' Advisory Commission is opposed to the shifting of dollars away from the Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (PCAPP) in order to address Department of Defense (DoD) budgetary concerns in FY 2005 and beyond. A loss of money for PCAPP at this critical stage will only increase the long-term costs of the project and reduce the continuity in staffing hired for the project.
2. Following the terrorist activities of September 11, 2001, the CAC responded in a positive manner when requested by DoD to look at acceleration options for PCAPP. The acceleration activities to date include contracting and permitting. The CAC is now concerned that a decrease in funding will slow down the project, yet the potential for terrorist activities does not appear to have decreased.
3. The long-term impact to the Pueblo community is more than a potential slow-down in chemical demilitarization, but impacts the ability of the community to acquire the land at the Pueblo Chemical Depot for future development.
4. The CAC requests the assistance of the Colorado Congressional Delegation in maintaining funding levels of the PCAPP project and asks that the delegation support a request from the CAC to meet directly with Dr. Dale Klein at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the CAC in Pueblo, Colorado on February 25, 2004 at 6:00 PM. The CAC would like to hear directly from Dr. Klein about the budgetary impacts and explain to him their concerns.
5. Pueblo, Colorado is a unified community and greatly interested in the progress and success of this project. The community has studied extensively the issues of chemical demilitarization and has supported the technology decision of neutralization followed by biodegradation, the choice of Bechtel National as the prime contractor and the acceleration decisions that have moved this project forward. Changes to the program at this time will only have an overall negative impact on the program and the Pueblo community.


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