



John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Craig W. Butler, Director

February 19, 2016

Peggy Hanna
254 W. 3rd St.
Springfield, OH 45504

Dear Ms. Hanna,

Thank you for contacting Governor John R. Kasich to share your concern about the Tremont City Barrel Fill site. Governor Kasich asked that I respond on his behalf.

The governor and I share your concern. This is why Ohio EPA ramped up our interaction with U.S. EPA and citizen groups nearly two years ago to formulate a clean-up plan that would be acceptable to citizen groups, the state of Ohio and U.S. EPA. We are keeping Governor Kasich informed every step of the way.

We have asked the federal EPA to revisit its chosen remedy based on the input it received from the local community, and it is in the process of doing so now. We are closely monitoring U.S. EPA's progress on this and expect our concerns to be properly addressed. Once an acceptable plan for remediation has been developed, we have been told and will encourage U.S. EPA to conduct significant public outreach to discuss possible changes with stakeholders.

Ohio EPA will support a final remedy that is first and foremost protective of human health and the environment, but also cost effective.

Thank you again for sharing your concerns with the governor. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact Darla Peelle in Ohio EPA's Public Interest Center. She can be reached via email at darla.peelle@epa.ohio.gov or by calling (614) 644-2160.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig W. Butler", is written over a horizontal line.

Craig W. Butler
Director