

October 5, 2010

Scott Brubaker  
NJDEP, One Stop Permitting  
401 E. State St.  
P.O. Box 422  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0422

Re: Cytec Site Reuse Proposal

Dear Scott,

I write in support of a proposed remediation project at the former Cytec site in Carteret. As you may know, the E.J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy trains future planners through the conduct of design studios where they work with municipal clients to develop projects with local and regional benefit. In 2008, the students of our design class produced the Rahway River Greenway report (see: <http://policy.rutgers.edu/academics/projects/studios/rahway08.pdf>) under the leadership of Susan Gruel and Fred Heyer. The plan specifically promotes the restoration of the Cytec site as a key element of the greenway, so we are eager to support this application and encourage NJDEP to work with the project team to restore this property in accordance with the Technical Requirements for Site Remediation under your oversight.

As the director of the Rutgers Sustainable Raritan Initiative, and coordinator of the Raritan River Collaborative, the restoration of lands along our river systems of our state is of significant interest to me as is the opportunity to reuse a brownfield property for higher public use.

I have reviewed the proposal and am confident that this project merits your support and attention. I am familiar with the capacity of the NJDEP staff to ensure that plans are protective and complete, and with your office to ensure a collaborative effort within the department, I am sure this will result in a product for which we can all be proud.

Thanks for your attention to this effort.

Sincerely,



Judy Shaw, PhD, AICP/PP

cc: Ken Kloo, Administrator, Brownfield Remediation & Reuse