

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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**GASP** 

Attn: Stacie M. Propst, Ph.D 732 Montgomery Highway #405 Birmingham, Alabama 35216

Dear Ms. Propst:

We received your July 1, 2014, petition for Preliminary Assessment (PA) submitted to Regional Administrator Heather McTeer Toney, requesting the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency conduct a PA of release of hazardous substances in Tarrant, Alabama. Under Section 105(d) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), commonly known as the federal "Superfund" law, citizens may petition the agency to conduct a PA of suspected hazards to public health and the environment resulting from the release or threatened release of hazardous substances.

The agency has carefully reviewed GASP's petition and finds that sufficient facts and details were provided to warrant a PA to determine if a threat to the public or the environment exists in the Tarrant neighborhood in Birmingham, Alabama. As provided under Section 105(d) of CERCLA, the EPA will complete the PA within 12 months of receipt of the petition. We will notify you when the PA has been completed and we will send you a copy for your information. Should you have any additional questions, or require additional information, please contact Jennifer Wendel of my staff at (404)-562-8799.

Sincerely,

Randall Chaffins, Acting Director

Superfund Division

cc: Lance R. LeFleur, ADEM