TEXTRON ROCHESTER UPDATE

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UPDATE ON THE WATER LINE EXTENSION PROJECT

Textron is committed to providing residents a safe and reliable water supply in the area of the Torx plant and we continue to work to accomplish that goal. Textron intends to implement this objective through the extension of the existing City of Rochester water line, the purchase of City water and the establishment of a Conservancy District. All costs would be paid by Textron and there would be no costs to property owners within the District.

Following the filing of a petition to establish the Conservancy District, the Indiana Natural Resources Commission voted to recommend its establishment to the Fulton County Circuit Court. The next step in the process is for the Court to hold a public hearing on whether to approve the creation of the District, formally called the South Richland Conservancy District. This hearing will be held on Thursday, July 7th, at 2:30 p.m., at the courthouse at 815 Main St. in Rochester. We also wanted to let people know that several changes are being made to the sub-district locations within the District from what was presented at the December 2010 community meeting. These changes reflect the fact that some property owners south of the Tippecanoe River have elected to opt out of the District. Just as before, there will be a total of three sub-districts. The new sub-district areas are shown on the enclosed map and will be presented at the Court hearing on July 7th. Following approval of the District by the Court, the next step is the appointment of the District's Board of Directors. This appointment is made by the Fulton County Commissioners, which is anticipated to occur at the Commission's regularly scheduled meeting on July 18th. The law requires that there be one property owner from each of the District's sub-districts appointed to the Board. The three individuals that will be proposed to the Commissioners for appointment will be Janet Burkett of 1082 E 375 N; Doug Garvison of 682 E 425 N; and Jamie Schiff of Textron, the owner of the property at 4375-4377 N Old US Highway 31. The Directors would be elected in the future by the District's property owners after their initial terms expire.

Once the Board of Directors is appointed, Textron, through its engineering consultant, MACTEC, will develop construction and maintenance plans for the water line for approval by the Conservancy District Board of Directors, which will hold a public meeting on the plans. Once approved, the plans will be submitted to the Indiana Natural Resources Commission and the Fulton County Court for their approval following additional public hearings and the opportunity for public comment.

We will provide you advance notice of any additional hearings and will continue to keep you informed of the progress of the water line project. Textron will soon be in contact with residents to formalize people's participation in the South Richland Conservancy District.

UPDATE ON TEXTRON'S SITE INVESTIGATION

While work on the water line has been a key part of our focus, Textron is also continuing its efforts to address the environmental impacts from its past operations at the Torx plant. An extensive groundwater investigation to fully define those impacts has been completed. Textron is using this information to prepare a feasibility study which will determine the most appropriate remedial technology to clean up impacted groundwater. This feasibility study will be reviewed by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management and will be posted on Textron's Torx Remediation Web-Site when available later this summer.

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