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MMAG Minority Report

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A MINORITY REPORT

To the Medical Monitoring Advisory Group (MMAG)

As Part of the requirements of the Record of Decision (ROD)
To be a part of the final report to the Colorado Department of Public
Health and Environment (CDPHE)

August 1998

Having participated in the MMAG process and other forums dealing with the clean up of a Super Fund Site known as the Rocky Mountain Arsenal (arsenal) I submit the following:

I cannot recommend and guarantee that the Health, Safety and Welfare of the residents and the people working in the communities surrounding the area known as the arsenal is, or will be, adequately protected during the proposed clean-up. In addition the people working and visiting the Arsenal are not guaranteed that their health, safety and welfare will be completely protected.

I have given considerable thought to the above statement. My association with the MMAG group as well as other forums that I have been able to participate with, having to do with the Rocky Mountain Arsenal, has lead me to this conclusion. This opinion is the result of nearly thirty (30) years of experience with this process, its people and the governmental agencies involved in their stated missions of protecting the "people".

My observations of the treatment received by anyone who dares question or disagree with all of the governmental agencies involved, starts with character assassination, retribution, revenge, spite, and lack of a truthful response. I do not feel it is in my individual best interest to list specific areas of question or challenge. The opinion expressed reflects only my opinion and not that of any group I may have been associated with, or am currently associated with.

Throughout my career of serving the people I have and will continue to express my concerns for their wellbeing regardless of any pressures brought upon me by any governmental agency or group of governmental agencies.

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The above is evidenced by the dismissal of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ASTDR) during the early stages of the MMAG, even though mandated by the ROD. The subsequent reinstatement of the ATSDR during the final months of the process, in my opinion, attempts to lend some credibility to the final report. The agency that led the fight to declare their involvement as insignificant, is now their employer. Further evidence as to the credibility of the various governmental bodies involved in this process of cleanup is the need for, and introduction of, the Environmental Protection Agency Ombudsman. He has been brought in to determine if allegations as to government misconduct will be followed up with, not only corrective action, but also whether criminal charges will be filed.

Each and every copy of this report is to be considered as an original.

Signed as:

A Commerce City Citizen

A former Commerce City Councilman

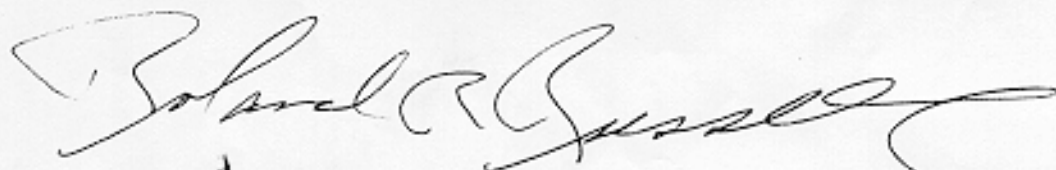
A Co-Chairperson of the MMAG

A Chairperson of the Emergency Preparedness Committee of the MMAG

A member of the MMAG Coordinating Committee.

A citizen participant in the Restoration Advisory Board of the Rocky Mountain Arsenal.

A person who deeply resents is being used by the people who proclaim to represent the Government and its various agencies.



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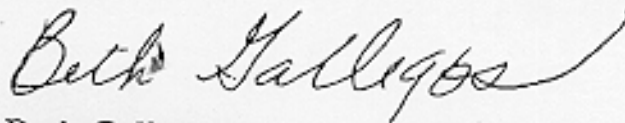
Dear Ms, Mangers,

I understand from Mr. Roland Russell that you need additional evidence of my support for the minority report. As you are aware, I have given Mr. Russell permission to use my name as a signer of this report.

This letter will serve as official evidence that I do support in full the minority report as written and I am a signer of this document.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



Beth Gallegos