



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

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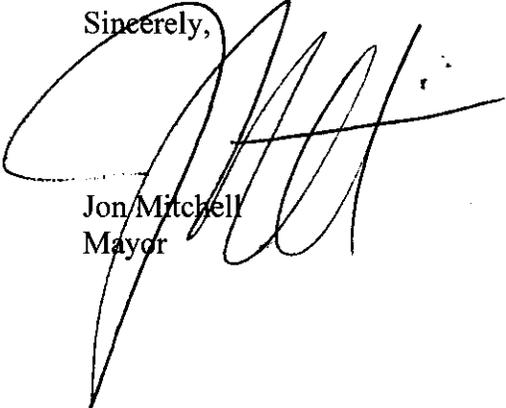
Dear New Bedford residents,

Attached please find the slides that will be discussed at the Public Involvement Plan (PIP) meeting on Wednesday January 16, 2013. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the meeting because I will be in Washington, D.C. for the winter meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors. I wanted to underscore, however, that the Parker Street Waste Site has been and will remain very important to me. At the PIP meeting, you will learn about progress we are making on a number of fronts.

As you know, the city's priorities at this site and other sites are driven by three factors: the health and safety of New Bedford residents, compliance with regulatory obligations, and the responsible allocation of resources. The City listens to and carefully considers the opinions and concerns of individuals and advocacy groups regarding the Parker Street Waste Site and the surrounding area. The City's work at the Parker Street Waste Site remains a fluid process and is guided by the criteria outlined above to keep the work moving forward until remediation has been completed. The City will continue to be proactive in developing and implementing its approach to this site.

If you have any further questions about the Parker Street Waste Site after the meeting, please contact Michele Paul, Director of Environmental Stewardship, at (508) 991-6188 or Michele.Paul@newbedford-ma.gov so that we can continue to work together on the remediation of this complex site.

Sincerely,



Jon Mitchell
Mayor