Pine River Superfund Citizen Task Force Box 172 St. Louis, MI 48880

May 3, 2001

Donlin, Recano & Company, Inc. P.O. Box 2035 Murray Hill Station New York, NY 10156

RE: Agent for U.S. Bankruptcy Court <u>In re: Fruit of the Loom, Inc. et al.</u> No. 99-04497 (PJW)

On August 9, 2000, the Pine River Superfund Citizen Task Force, an officially recognized community advisory group to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for superfund sites in Gratiot County, Michigan, indicated to you our interest in assets of Fruit of the Loom related to superfund liabilities of itself and its subsidiaries. Specifically, we are concerned with the ability of NWI Land Management, a wholly owned subsidiary of Fruit of the Loom, to meet any obligations at the Velsicol Site in our community, which NWI owns.

The U.S. EPA and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality have recently developed a plan, hopefully to be implemented during the Summer 2001, for testing the integrity of the superfund site owned by NWI Land Management in our community, a site which many believe is leaking toxins into the neighboring Pine River.

Because such testing and any needed remediation are potentially costly, we want to reiterate our expectation that all assets available for environmental responsibilities be protected. We also are concerned both by the lack of information received from you since our filing and persistent rumors that NWI Land Management will be dissolved as part of the restructuring of Fruit of the Loom.

Please inform us as soon as possible of the status of the environmental assets of the Fruit of the Loom/NWI. Should you need further information on the corporations= obligations in this community, please call me at (989) 463-7203.

Sincerely,

Edward C. Lorenz, Chair