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with your desire to continue to work

The Honorable William Donald Schaefer  
Mayor  
City of Baltimore  
Room 250 City Hall  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Dear Mayor Schaefer:

I am pleased to inform you that the State Board of Public Works will be acting on a proposed grant to Baltimore City in the amount of \$3.5 million to assist the City in the acquisition of certain land at Hawkins Point for the provision of critically needed solid waste facilities.

I have enclosed a copy of the grant request as it will appear on the agenda for our meeting on Wednesday, August 11, 1982. You will notice that, consistent with our recent discussions, \$2 million of the total grant will be allocated toward the cost of acquiring the W. R. Grace Company property for a sanitary landfill, and the balance, \$1.5 million, will be allocated to cover the costs of acquiring and relocating 23 homes and a church which comprise the Hawkins Point community. Although not yet complete, the appraisals being done by the Maryland Department of Transportation at the Hawkins Point community suggest that the \$1.5 million allocation is a very accurate estimate of the actual costs. However, if the actual acquisition and relocation costs exceed \$1.5 million, we do not expect the City to proceed further until the necessary additional funds are made available by the State. Conversely, if the actual total costs are less than \$1.5 million, the State is willing to allow the City to credit the balance toward the costs of acquiring the W. R. Grace Company property.

Let me assure you here, in advance of formal Board action on August 11, of my support for this proposed grant. Both Comptroller Goldstein and Treasurer James, the other members of the Board, have indicated recently a favorable disposition toward this grant.

I would like to emphasize how pleased -- in fact, how impressed -- I am by the progress made in implementing the regional solid waste management agreement executed less than two years ago.

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The imminent acquisition of land at Hawkins Point for a sanitary landfill should "close the circle," and place the City and Baltimore County on sound footing for the next few decades in meeting solid waste disposal needs of the region. This is certainly a tribute to all who have worked in earnest over the last two years toward this end.

I trust you will find this letter and the enclosure consistent with our recent discussions.

Again, let me assure you of my desire to continue to work closely with you on these and other matters of mutual concern.

Sincerely,

*Harry Hughes*  
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