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**Coleman-Evans  
Wood Preserving Site  
Whitehouse, Florida**

## **CLEANUP ACTIVITIES PROGRESS UPDATE**

November 2000

### **Public Availability Session**

**Hosted by Councilman Doyle Carter**

**Whitehouse Elementary School**

**A public availability session to allow public questions on this suspension of site work**

**5:00 to 7:30 p.m. December 7, 2000 @ Whitehouse Elementary School Cafeteria**

#### **Thermal Desorption Unit (TDU) Operations:**

Since the August 2000 update, the TDU has been experiencing several technical problems during the start-up phase. These problems have prevented the full scale processing of the contaminated soil. These issues have also caused increases in costs associated with the prolonged oversight. Because of these increased costs, the project is being shut down while the TDU Subcontractor works out the technical issues with the unit, obtains any new parts/materials needed, and makes any necessary corrections. This shut down is being implemented to save tax dollars.

There will be limited Government and Contractor presence on the site during the shut down period. This presence will assure containment and control of the site to protect and assure the public health. Activities will consist of Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations, Site Security, Dust Control, and Equipment Maintenance. Additionally, TDU maintenance and alteration activities will take place intermittently during the shut down.

We anticipate the TDU alterations to be complete, and work to resume, in about 4-6 months. There will be an additional Fact Sheet issued to update the public prior to the resumption of work at the site.

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