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TO: MEMBERS OF THE NEW BEDFORD CITY COUNCIL

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REFERENCE: Waste to Energy Facility, Rochester, Massachusetts

The Building and Construction Trades Union have followed the District's activities with great interest and enthusiasm.

Our representatives and members have attended many meetings through the District's selective process and the final negotiations with SEMASS. After the District decided to contract with SEMASS, we examined the company and contacted local, State and Federal officials as well as COM/Electric to ensure ourselves of their credibility which we are convinced to be more than satisfactory. We then had numerous meetings with SEMASS representatives and various contractors that are going to be involved with the project and we are convinced that SEMASS can begin construction as stated. In fact, they have received bids from qualified contractors already and with guaranteed prices and completion dates. Construction is scheduled to begin April, 1983. Needless to say that if construction is delayed this would have an adverse effect on the economics of the project and would jeopardize hundreds of available jobs.

Our concerns are obvious and genuine being from an area of extreme unemployment and few job opportunities for our union members.

We therefore urge members of the City Council to ratify this contract and to afford our members the opportunity of decent jobs in the construction phase and the permanent work force necessary to maintain this facility.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration,

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to City Council and  
copy to Mayor....  
(today)

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