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Mr. Henry Ford
Ford Motor Company
Dearborn, Michigan

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VICE PRESIDENT
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Dear Sir:

Approximately six years ago the Ringwood Realty Company purchased eight hundred acres in the Borough of Ringwood. The Ford Foundation or Ford Company were seriously involved with several programs which never did materialize. One of the problems at that time which still remains is, there are many hundreds of people, (minority group) living in the area. You may be aware the Ringwood council and myself have permitted the dumping of all the industrial waste from the Mahwah Ford assembly plant to be disposed of in this area known as the Ringwood Mines. There have been several major fires in the area because of the volatile nature of the waste. We have received complaints from our fire departments and other organizations in the borough.

For the last six months, I have been meeting and negotiating to buy the remainder of the mine tract from the Kislak Realty Company. It is my intention to create a solid waste program which will be municipally operated. A revolutionary process will be used to dispose of garbage and industrial waste. I have traveled to England to see this equipment which in my opinion is the greatest ecological advancement for solid waste disposal to date.

The Mahwah plant will be welcome to participate in this program, I might add the final product is virtually fire resistant.

The Ford Company and several of us in Ringwood have been the victims of adverse publicity in the past, therefore, I am offering the Ford Motor Company or the Ford Foundation an opportunity to participate or contribute in the overall improvement of this area. I would welcome any support that may be given to the people living in the area or to the municipality. The overall project will certainly be mutually beneficial. I certainly would appreciate your comments.

Yours truly,

John Kulik

John Kulik, Mayor