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Dear Robert Krueger:

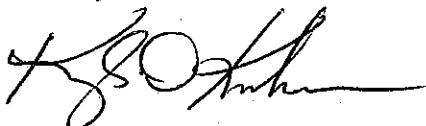
On behalf of the Illinois Valley Rural Fire Protection District I would like to thank you and your department for your assistance on the hazardous material incident at mile post 23 of Redwood Highway.

On September 7, 2000 our department was dispatched to a rollover motor vehicle accident involving the hazardous material Phenol, Molten. A tanker truck was traveling southbound on Hwy. 199 when the operator did not negotiate a curve to the left resulting in the truck and cargo laying to rest on its right side. Over the next 22 hours multiple agencies, such as yours, provided additional resources required to mitigate the hazards. The hazards associated with the product can be lethal and, given the intensity of the situation, presented responders with numerous challenges with regard to life safety.

In total the incident involved thirty agencies, forty pieces of equipment and approximately seventy-five personnel. Five individuals were transported to the hospital for precautionary measures for potential exposure. All persons have been released.

As this has proven to be the most significant event Josephine County has experienced, I am writing this in appreciation for the commendable cooperation of you and your personnel, which allowed for control of the situation in the safest time and manner possible.

Thank you,



Kyle D. Kirchner  
Fire Chief