



# STATE UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION FUND

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Dear Dr. Lefkowitz:

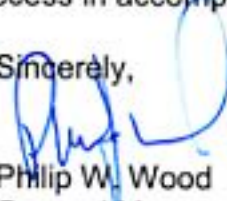
Your correspondence to Chancellor John R. Ryan, Acting, dated September 27, 2005 has been forwarded to this office for response. The State University Construction Fund is a public benefit corporation responsible for the implementation of the State University Capital Construction Program.

In regards to the issue of PCB contamination in window caulking, it has been the Construction Fund's policy to test for suspected contaminants prior to all construction activity. Window and masonry caulking are tested for the presence of both PCB and asbestos material. One project referenced in your correspondence, SUCF Project No. 10315, Mahar Hall at SUNY Oswego, has tested positive for PCB material in the caulking. This material will be removed in accordance with applicable State and Federal guidelines by certified workers with the appropriate hazardous material training.

PCB contaminated materials are also known to exist in electrical transformers, switchgear, and high voltage cable. The State University of New York undertook an extensive program in the mid-1990s to remove and properly dispose of all PCB-contaminated transformers and related equipment at all State-operated campuses.

Thank you for your interest and taking the time to express your safety concerns for our students, staff and visitors. I wish you every success in accomplishing your goals.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Wood  
General Manager

Copy: Chancellor John R. Ryan, Acting  
James Biggane, Assistant GM Design & Construction