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Dear Montek,

Andrew Liverts of Dow sont me a copy of a letter that he has written to Ronen Sen which I enclose for your Information. I understand Vipul Shah of Dow India also intends to brief you on this next week.

Dow has mantioned in their letter that it is critical for them to have the Ministry of Chemicals and Fartilizers withdraw their application for a financial deposit by Dow against the remediation cost, as that explication emplayed that the Government of india views Dow as tiable' in the Bhopal Gas disaster case. This is obviously a key aspect and i wanted your assessment as to whether this is possible. My offer for the Tata's to lead and find funding for the remediation of the site so that it is made asfe both above and below the ground, still stands. Perhaps it could break the deadlock?

I also understand that the November 9<sup>th</sup> Madhys Predesh High Court hearing continues the fairly positive process wherein the High Court is focussing on the remediator of the site while relevanting their surfler order that the Government of india and the Government of Madhys Predesh should bear the cost of remediation equally.

look forward to hearing from you.

With regards,

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Yours sincerely Katan

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