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Mr. William Allison
Executive Director
EOA
101 Marietta Street, NW
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Dear Bill:

This is to express some very serious concerns regarding the Rodent Control Program for the City of Atlanta.

As Director of this project, I find it extremely difficult to effect a meaningful program due to internal flaws, inflexibilities and misconceptions by the various agencies concerned. Perhaps a little history may be in order.

The Community Development Aide Project was funded by the Department of HEW, such funds being designated to the City of Atlanta. The City of Atlanta, in turn, designated EOA as the agency who will receive such funds. This does not mean, nor has it ever meant, that this is an EOA project exclusively or an EOA delegate agency; this simply means that EOA's responsibility in this project has been the administrative input necessary for effective program implementation.

The City Sanitation Division also co-sponsored this project with specific responsibilities accepted by them as an equal to EOA, Atlanta Youth Council and all other sponsors and co-sponsors.

Most of the agencies participating in this project have been flexible enough to make sufficient input and provide sufficient resources to move the project effectively at this point in time. However, some of us are still laboring under long-range and irrelevant concepts which tend to hamper and render ineffective any progress in this area.

As Director of the Rodent Control Project, I am requesting that you use the influence of your office to insure that such shortcomings be effectively dealt with and eliminated.

Sincerely,

Lewis F. Dinkins
Lewis F. Dinkins
Project Director

cc: Dr. Hackney
Ralph Hulsey
Johnny Johnson
Dan Sweat ✓
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