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Land Reuse and Revitalization Program  
C/O Diane Atkinson  
Environmental Resource Planner  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments  
P.O. Box 5307  
Texarkana, Texas 75505-5307

Attention: Land Reuse Grant Advisory Committee

RE: Letter of Support

Dear Ms. Atkinson:

The Land Reuse and Revitalization Program is providing a valuable service to the twin cities of Texarkana, Arkansas and Texarkana, Texas. It is imperative that we, as a community, focus attention and allocate resources to preserving the built environment of historic downtown Texarkana. Preserving the historic structures of Texarkana before these are irrevocably damaged and lost must be a priority.

Economic revitalization goes hand in hand with mitigating environmental degradation and creating healthy work, living, and recreational environments. As long as a perception of possible contamination continues to cast a pall on the downtown area, revitalization efforts will be hampered. The work the Land Reuse and Revitalization Program Working Group is doing will help local government, non-profits, educational institutions, and investors develop strategies to overcome the problems of downtown through appropriate planning and resource allocation.

Thank you for the important role you have taken on with the Land Reuse and Revitalization Program. Please forward our letter of support to your advisory committee.

Sincerely,

Frank Poff  
Chairman and President  
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