

News from Senator

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## DOLE CALLS FOR END TO FURLEY DIOXIN SCARE--

### "IMMEDIATE TESTING IN ORDER"

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole today called for the immediate completion of appropriate testing for dioxin contamination near the Furley Waste Site.

"Although all available information tells us that there is no dioxin danger at the Furley site, I am calling for an immediate testing of Well No. 220, the alleged site of the deadly substance dioxin," said Dole. "The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has informed me that testing of the Furley area for toxic substances, including dioxin, is underway. However, due to allegations about the so-called dioxin well, I believe that an immediate testing of Well No. 220 is in order so we can determine the truth of the matter," Dole said.

"Rumors and speculation about dioxin near Furley cause needless public concern. We do not need to spread panic about a possibility of this harmful toxic contamination spreading from the Furley site," said Dole.

"The site is closed, a clean-up is underway, and testing for harmful substances is in process," said Dole. "Now KDHE and EPA should immediately look into the situation at Well No. 220."

"I plan to meet with EPA officials in the near future who will provide me with a briefing of recent developments in the Furley clean-up, and details of the recently completed audit that I had requested," said Senator Dole. "At that time, I would hope that any dioxin test results will be ready for review."