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SUBJECT NEPA Action Description Memorandum for the University of Chicago Remedial Action Project Under the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP)

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The draft Action Description Memorandum (ADM) for the subject project was reviewed by this office and appears to be satisfactory and may be finalized. The proposed action is to decontaminate those areas of Eckhart Hall, Ryerson Physical Laboratory, and Jones Chemical Laboratory, that are contaminated with radioactive residual material as a result of programs conducted by the Manhattan Engineer District and the Atomic Energy Commission. The contamination in these three buildings is located in several laboratories and adjoining areas. The concentration of radioactivity as a result of this contamination is low except for isolated small areas. The objective of this remedial action is to decontaminate the areas such that residual radioactivity is below the established FUSRAP cleanup criteria for unrestricted use of the facility, and to dispose of the waste from cleanup at the DOE Hanford disposal site.

Based on review of the ADM and other pertinent facts, I have determined that the remedial action at the University of Chicago site is an action which in and of itself will have a clearly insignificant impact on the quality of the human environment within the meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act.


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