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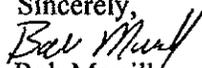
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Re: Salmon Site Completion Report and Long Term Stewardship Plan, U.S. Department of Energy, Nevada Environmental Restoration Project, Revision 1, August 2005.

The Mississippi Office of Pollution Control has reviewed the above referenced document. Concerns expressed in the comment letter (dated 3 May 2005) for the draft (April 2004) version of the document appear to have been satisfactorily addressed. The document is approved and should be issued as final.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,  
  
 Bob Merrill

cc. Michelle Thornton, USEPA

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**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSURE OF THE SALMON SITE**

By means of this correspondence, the U.S. Department of Energy, Nevada Site Office (DOE/NSO) hereby transmits the final Salmon Site Completion Report and Long-Term Stewardship Plan, August 2005 (DOE/NV-917) (*Attachment 1*) to the State of Mississippi, Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) for approval. This correspondence also includes supporting documentation as follows: Attachment 2 - "Warranty Deed Conveying Fee and Easement", filed with Lamar County on December 2, 1994, which conveyed Fee Title for the Salmon Site property to the United States of America and Attachment 3 - "Deed Restriction Notice" for the Salmon Site, filed with Lamar County. These deed restrictions describe property constraints that have been established at Salmon in order to protect human health and the environment with regard to the site.

Subsequent to MDEQ approval of the Salmon Completion Report, future DOE/NSO activities at the site will be limited to long-term stewardship activities, which will include monitoring responsibilities and maintaining institutional controls over subsurface contamination.

If you have any questions relating to this matter, you may call me, or your staff may contact Stephen A. Mellington, DOE/NSO Acting Assistant Manager for Environmental Management at (702) 295-7063.

*for Michael A. Maralli*

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Manager

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Enclosures:  
As stated

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