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PROPOSED MANAGEMENT OF CONTAMINATED WATER IN THE WELDON SPRING QUARRY

The Weldon Spring Site Remedial Action Project Work Plan that was issued in November of last year sets forth DOE's plan for cleaning up the Quarry. As you are probably aware, the Quarry contains approximately 100,000 cubic yards of contaminated debris and as much as 3,000,000 gallons of contaminated water. The necessary first step in the Quarry cleanup plan is to remove the contaminated water. In that regard, enclosed you will find the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) that the DOE has prepared to support treatment and discharge of the Quarry water.

To summarize the EE/CA document, it is DOE's proposal to treat the Quarry water to levels that meet, or are better than, federal and state standards. The water will be tested to guarantee cleanup requirements are met and will then be released through a pipeline to the Missouri River. An NPDES permit will be obtained from the State of Missouri to authorize discharge of the treated water.

We are working with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MoDNR) to arrange a joint meeting that will provide an opportunity for public input to the State NPDES process as well as the Federal environmental compliance process. This meeting is targeted for February 13/14 timeframe and an announcement will be issued soon. Your comments on the enclosed plan are encouraged and should be sent to:

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The closing date for comments to DOE will be March 6, 1989.

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