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Mr. Joe LaGrone
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Dear Mr. LaGrone:

I would like to thank you for your participation in our February 15, 1991, meeting regarding the United States Department of Energy's (U.S. DOE) Feed Materials Production Center in Fernald, Ohio. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) was encouraged by some of U.S. DOE's proposals to make changes in both project and contract management in order to better fulfill obligations for the cleanup of the Fernald site. While the decisions on how to structure your organization and contracts are entirely within U.S. DOE's discretion, U.S. EPA encourages U.S. DOE to make any necessary changes that will contribute to a successful cleanup of the site.

Many ideas regarding a restructuring of the management of the Fernald cleanup were discussed during our meeting. It would be helpful if a written synopsis of the proposed changes would be prepared and submitted to U.S. EPA. This would assist U.S. EPA in understanding the changes that U.S. DOE is committing to make. I would appreciate this summary being submitted within the next fifteen days.

I am looking forward to reviewing your written proposal.

Sincerely yours,

Valdas V. Adamkus
Regional Administrator

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cc: Leo Duffy, U.S. Department of Energy

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