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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Mitchell:

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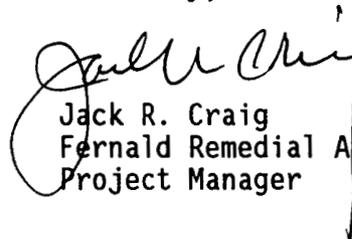
Reference: Letter DOE-2584-93, J. R. Craig to J. A. Saric and G. E. Mitchell, "Request for Concurrence on the Fernald Environmental Management Project Strategy for Assessing Ecological Risk," dated July 29, 1993

This letter transmits the *Screening Level Ecological Risk Assessment (SLERA)*, which has been prepared by Operable Unit (OU) 5 for review and approval by the Biological Technical Assistance Group (BTAG) of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA).

As stated in the Amended Consent Agreement (September 1991), OU 5 is responsible for preparing the Sitewide Ecological Risk Assessment as part of its Remedial Investigation. During a meeting at the Fernald Environmental Management Project (FEMP) on February 17, 1993, OU 5 representatives from Fernald Environmental Restoration Management Corporation (FERMCO) and Department of Energy, Fernald Field Office (DOE-FN) discussed their responsibilities and strategies for preparing the Sitewide Ecological Risk Assessment with a representative of U.S. EPA, Region V BTAG. One of the agreements resulting from the meeting was that OU 5 would prepare this SLERA (following U.S. EPA, Region V guidelines) for those areas of the FEMP not likely to be remediated on the basis of human-health concerns. This strategy is detailed in the reference.

If you or your staff have questions, please contact Jack Craig at (513) 648-3107 or Pete Yerace at (513) 648-3161.

Sincerely,


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