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**APPROVAL FOR NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY  
(NOA) OF THE OPERABLE UNIT 4 FEASIBILITY  
STUDY REPORT/PROPOSED PLAN - DRAFT  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR  
FORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

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U. S. Department of Energy  
Fernald Environmental Management Project  
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Mr. Jack R. Craig  
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Project Manager  
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Dear Mr. Craig:

**CONTRACT DE-AC05-92OR21972, APPROVAL FOR NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA) OF THE OPERABLE UNIT 4 FEASIBILITY STUDY REPORT/PROPOSED PLAN - DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR FORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the NOA announcing availability for public comment of the Operable Unit 4 Feasibility Study Report/Proposed Plan - Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Remedial Activities at the FEMP.

Review and approval of the enclosed NOA is requested by February 25, 1994.

If you have any questions, please contact Rene Eichhold at extension 738-8962. Please phone Rene once concurrence has been given.

Sincerely,

*RFC Edge for.*

Paul F. Clay, Vice President  
Environmental Division

PFC:RE  
Attachment

CONCURRENCE: *Randi Allen* 2-23-94

*for Jack R. Craig  
- as noted on attachment -*

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THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
AT THE FERNALD ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT, FERNALD, OHIO  
ANNOUNCES THE AVAILABILITY OF THE OPERABLE UNIT 4  
FEASIBILITY STUDY REPORT/PROPOSED PLAN - DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT  
FOR FORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT

*Conditionally*

The U. S. Department of Energy (DOE) at the Fernald Environmental Management Project (FEMP) announces the availability of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) approved Operable Unit 4 Feasibility Study Report/Proposed Plan - Draft Environmental Impact Statement (FS/PP-DEIS) within the Administrative Record.

The Feasibility Study Report identifies and evaluates a broad range of cleanup options for the final disposition of the Operable Unit 4 stored residue inventories, and other contaminated materials. The Proposed Plan identifies DOE's initial preferred alternative and presents the rationale for DOE's preference. In addition, the Proposed Plan describes the other alternatives that were considered in detail within the Feasibility Study Report.

In accordance with both CERCLA and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) processes, these documents are made available to the public for comment. It is DOE policy to integrate NEPA into the procedural and documentation requirements of CERCLA wherever practical. On May 15, 1990, a Notice of Intent was published in the Federal Register indicating that DOE planned to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement ~~(EIS)~~ consistent with NEPA to evaluate the environmental impacts associated with the cleanup actions for each of the five FEMP operable units. Consistent with the Notice of Intent, the resulting integrated process and documentation package for Operable Unit 4 is termed a Feasibility Study/Proposed Plan-Environmental Impact Statement (FS/PP-~~EIS~~).

Functioning as the lead CERCLA/NEPA integrated document, the Operable Unit 4 FS/PP-~~EIS~~ addresses cumulative environmental impacts as a result of implementing ~~one of~~ the leading remedial alternatives for the five FEMP operable units.

An Administrative Record file was previously established to support the Operable Unit 4 Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS). The Administrative Record file is a compendium of documentation which is compiled progressively through the RI/FS process. The file contains documentation that will be relied upon in issuing a Record of Decision (ROD) for Operable Unit 4; identifying the selected cleanup alternative. The Administrative Record also includes other project documentation, such as the final Remedial Investigation Report for Operable Unit 4.

This notice establishes a 45-day public comment period for the Operable Unit 4 FS/PP-~~EIS~~, beginning March 7, 1994 and lasting through April 20, 1994. To encourage public participation, a fact sheet has been developed which provides a summary of each remedial alternative and an assessment of the risks associated with each alternative. Written comments on the Operable Unit 4 Feasibility Study/Proposed Plan-Draft Environmental Impact Statement, the Fact Sheet, or the Administrative Record File, and questions about the process should be directed to:

Public Environmental Information Center  
JAMTEK Building  
10845 Hamilton-Cleves Highway

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**Hours:**

Monday and Thursday  
9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
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Saturday  
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For additional information, please contact:

Mr. Ken Morgan, Director, Public Information  
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The following public meeting will be held to discuss the alternatives considered in the document, answer questions, and accept written or oral comments.

Wednesday, March 21, 1994 at 7:00 pm  
The Plantation  
9660 Dry Fork Road; Harrison, OH 45030