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**WOOD, J. D., LETTER TO D. J. CARR, SURVEY FOR RUNNING
BUFFALO CLOVER - (USED AS A REFERENCE IN OU 5 RI
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Subject: Survey for Running Buffalo Clover

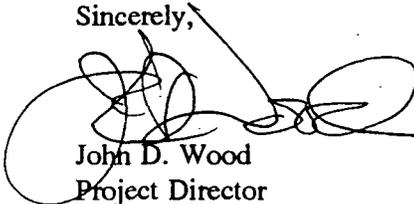
Reference: D.J. Carr to J.D. Wood, "Survey for Running Buffalo Clover," WEMCO:CTM:92-187,
dated April 13, 1992

Dear Mr. Carr:

The referenced letter requested that ASI/IT conduct a survey for the federal endangered plant species Trifolium stoloniferum (running buffalo clover) as part of the EWMF Ecological Survey. This survey was conducted as follows: on June 29, 1992, Ron Prann and Scott Glum of my staff examined the field east of the power substation adjacent to the FEMP in conjunction with the ecological survey of the Joy Walther property. On July 16, 1992, Dr. Clifford S. Duke, Scott Glum, and Mr. John Homer of WEMCO surveyed the pastures in the northeast corner of the FEMP and a meadow adjacent to the south pine plantation. No specimens of running buffalo clover were observed during these surveys. In addition, the detailed FEMP plant species list compiled by Miami University was reviewed; it does not include running buffalo clover. These investigations indicate running buffalo clover was not present in the areas checked by ASI/IT and was not found in the transects surveyed by Miami University in 1986-1987. However, this species can be spread by grazing animals, for example, cows, and has been observed near the FEMP at Miami Whitewater Forest. ASI therefore recommends that site environmental monitoring personnel conduct an annual survey, ideally in June, when buffalo clover is in bloom. It would also be advisable to survey any pasture or wooded areas on the site proposed to be cleared in the course of FEMP remedial activities or other construction.

A brief summary report of these findings will be included in the report on the EWMF Ecological Survey. If you have any questions, please call Dr. Clifford Duke.

Sincerely,



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Project Director

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