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CINCINNATI, Ohio -- The Fernald Citizens Task Force will hold a meeting on Saturday, September 28, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Alpha Building, 10967 Hamilton Cleves Highway, Harrison, Ohio. The Task Force will discuss site monitoring and a proposal to amend Silo 3 treatment.

The meeting is open to the public, and time will be reserved for the public to address the Task Force.

The Fernald Citizens Task Force has been created to help guide cleanup at Fernald. The U.S. EPA, Ohio EPA, and DOE collaborated to form the Task Force, and it includes representatives of the constituencies affected by cleanup decisions.

The agencies have agreed to consider carefully the Task Force's recommendations in their decisionmaking processes, though the recommendations are not legally binding. The key 1996 issues for the Task Force include:

- Waste Transportation,
- Design of the on-site disposal facility, and
- The timing and completion of construction activities.