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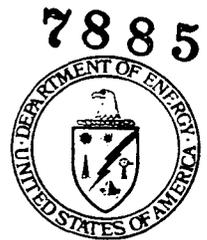
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**Mr. John Bradburne, President
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Dear Mr. Bradburne:

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DEACTIVATION/STABILIZATION PROJECT**

Reference: J. C. Bradburne to J. R. Craig, "Contract DE-ACA24-92OR21972,
Neutralization/Precipitation/Deactivation/Stabilization Project Readiness
to Operate," dated September 27, 1996.

The results of the Fluor Daniel Fernald (FDF) standard startup review (SSR) along with the applicable safety basis documentation for the Neutralization/Precipitation/Deactivation/Stabilization (NPDS) Project were reviewed in detail. The pre-startup findings were adequately addressed and the safety basis documentation satisfactorily covers the radiological and safety aspects of the operations. The Department of Energy, Fernald Environmental Management Project (DOE-FEMP) oversight of the various phases of the mixed waste stabilization project by the DOE-FEMP facility representative and the system safety representatives has provided the DOE with a level of confidence that the project can be operated safely. In response to the FDF request for approval to commence operations (see reference letter), DOE hereby authorizes the startup of the NPDS Project.

If you have any questions regarding this assessment, please contact John Sattler at (513) 648-3145.

Sincerely,

**Jack R. Craig
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