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RE: DOE FEMP
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Mr. Johnny Reising
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Dear Mr. Reising:

Ohio EPA has reviewed DOE's July 22, 1996 submittal "Proposal to Discontinue Plans to Construct an Advanced Wastewater Treatment Carbon Filtration Pretreatment Unit." Based upon our review of this letter and previous discussions with DOE and FERMCO, Ohio EPA concurs with DOE's proposal to discontinue plans for a pretreatment carbon filtration unit. However, this concurrence does not ensure the 400 gpm system will exhibit "comparable or better performance" than the existing Plant 8 system. DOE will need to ensure, through testing of wastewater on both sides of the carbon beds, that contaminants from listed hazardous wastes treated through this system are being completely removed. If such complete removal is not achieved then the down stream treatment residuals will also carry the listed designation.

If you should have any questions, please contact me at (513) 285-6466.

Sincerely,

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