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SOUTH PLUME DMEPP REPORT JULY 1-DECEMBER 31, 1996

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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RE: South Plume DMEPP
Report
July 1-December 31, 1996

Dear Mr. Reising:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has completed its review of the United States Department of Energy's (U.S. DOE) South Plume removal action system evaluation report for July 1, 1996, through December 31, 1996.

The report meets the requirements of the Design, Monitoring, and Evaluation Program Plan (DMEPP) and focuses on assessing the performance of the south plume recovery wellfield.

Although well rehabilitation along with mechanical and electrical deficiencies have caused the wellfield to be operating below the target rate, no significant plume concentration deviations have occurred.

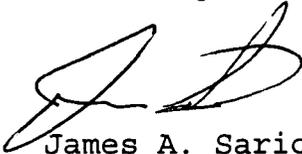
Therefore, U.S. EPA approves the DMEPP report for the above mentioned period.

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Please contact me at (312) 886-0992 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,



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