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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

OPERABLE UNITS 3 AND 5 REMOVAL ACTION FILES IN THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

In reviewing the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Administrative Record (AR) files for Operable Unit 3 (OU3) and Operable Unit 5 (OU5) Removal Actions, the status of several Removal Actions warrants specific clarification and documentation to the files. There is a total of five Removal Actions which require clarification in order to properly close all files within the AR.

The AR files for the four programmatic Removal Actions incorporated into the OU3 Record of Decision (ROD) for Final Remedial Action (i.e., RvA 9 - Removal of Waste Inventories, RvA 12 - Safe Shutdown, RvA 17 - Improved Storage of Soil and Debris, and RvA 26 - Asbestos Removal) will be closed. The activities within the scope of these Removal Actions are ongoing, however, records generated in association with the scopes of these Removal Actions will be documented in the OU3 Post ROD file. Ongoing activities associated with the OU3 Removal Actions are described in the following bullets:

- Waste inventories are being removed and mixed waste treatment is being performed;
- Safe Shutdown activities are scheduled to be conducted through Fiscal Year (FY) 1999;

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- Management and improved storage of soil and debris from above grade decontamination and dismantlement projects are ongoing; and,

- Asbestos maintenance activities are ongoing.

The AR file for one Removal Action incorporated into the OU5 ROD for Final Remedial Action (i.e., RvA 3 - South Plume Contaminated Groundwater) will also be closed at this time. Several parts of this Removal Action have been integrated into the OU5 final remedy and the systems involved will continue to operate as necessary throughout the final remediation of OU5. Again, any follow-on records generated in association with the scope of this Removal Action will be documented in the OU5 Post ROD file.

A copy of this letter will be placed in each of these Removal Action files to provide an auditable paper trail and to close the AR files. If you have questions related to this letter, please contact John Trygier at (513) 648-3154.

Sincerely,

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