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The United States Department of Energy (DOE) is making available for public review and comment the draft final Explanation of Significant Differences (ESD) Document for Operable Unit 5 (OU5) at the Fernald Environmental Management Project. Per 40 CFR 300.435 (c) (2)(1), the public will have 30 days, beginning July 11, 2001 and ending on August 10, 2001, to review and provide written comments on the ESD. The ESD is changing both the final remediation level for uranium in the Great Miami Aquifer as well as the discharge standard for uranium to the Great Miami River from 20 ug/L (micro grams per liter) to 30 ug/L. This change is based on the promulgation of 30 ug/L as the maximum contaminant level under the Safe Drinking Water Act. Both the U.S. EPA and Ohio EPA have reviewed the draft ESD and have concurred with the changes described.

The OU5 ESD is available at the Public Environmental Information Center, 513-648-7480, located at 10995 Hamilton-Cleves Highway. Questions or written comments should be submitted to Gary Stegner, DOE Public Affairs, Fernald Field Office, P.O. Box 538705, Cincinnati, OH 45253-8705, Phone: 513-648-3153 e-mail: [gary.stegner@fernald.gov](mailto:gary.stegner@fernald.gov)

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