ship. The Fernald department stopped operating in October 2002.

If voters approve the levy, it will generate about $212,000 per year and provide enough money to hire full-time firefighters and have firefighters available for 24-hour-a-day coverage seven days a week.

The last time Crosby residents were asked to approve a levy was in 1989. The department is partially funded by a 4.5-mill levy that generates about $170,000 per year. The department generates about $10,000 per year by billing nonresidents for emergency medical service at Miami Whitewater Forest.

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED PLAN FOR
REMEDIAL ACTIONS AT SILO 3

The United States Department of Energy (DOE) announces the availability of the *Proposed Plan for Silo 3 Remedial Actions.* Silo 3 is a component of Operable Unit 4 at the Fernald Closure Project. The *Proposed Plan*, which is now open for public comment, identifies a proposed modification of the current remedy for Silo 3.

DOE is proposing to revise the current remedy for Silo 3 due to changes to the waste acceptance criteria (WAC) at potential disposal facilities. Although this is the preferred alternative, DOE welcomes comments from the public. The formal public comment period begins April 30th, 2003 and ends May 30th, 2003. Written comments may be submitted throughout the entire public comment period. DOE will hold a public meeting to discuss the *Proposed Plan for Remedial Actions at Silo 3* and accept oral or written public comments on May 13th, 2003, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the Crosby Township Senior/Community Center, 8910 Willey Road.

Copies of the *Proposed Plan for Remedial Action at Silo 3* and other supporting information are available at the Public Environmental Information Center (PEIC) near the visitor badging trailer at the Fernald site, 7400 Willey Road. The PEIC is open Tuesdays and Thursdays. The *Proposed Plan for Remedial Action at Silo 3* is available at the Fernald web site at www.fernald.gov. For more information, contact Gary Stegner, DOE-Public Affairs, at (513) 648-3153, or e-mail gary.stegner@fernald.gov.

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