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**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR THE USE OF THE CLEARWELL DURING  
OPERABLE UNIT 1 REMEDIAL ACTIVITIES**

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Mr. Thomas A. Schneider  
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Dear Mr. Schneider:

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR THE USE OF THE CLEARWELL DURING OPERABLE UNIT 1  
REMEDIAL ACTIVITIES**

Paragraph 4 of the Consent Decree signed December 2, 1988, requires written approval from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) before any "sewage, industrial waste or other wastes as those terms are defined by Ohio revised Code Section 6111.01", can be discharged or placed into Waste Pit #5 or the clearwell. This letter requests your approval for using the clearwell as described below.

In addition to the normal pit area runoff currently being collected in the clearwell, the Operable Unit 1 (OU1) remedial design includes using the clearwell as a settling basin for stormwater and leachate accumulated in excavations, water that freely drains from waste piles before and after drying, and decontamination water from the gross decontamination of equipment in the pit area. Process wastewaters from the dryers and associated processing equipment are not being sent to the clearwell and are not a part of this request. A detailed description of stormwater and process water management can be found in the Preliminary Design Review Package for the Waste Pit Remedial Action Project submitted to OEPA for review on October 23, 1995.

The Clearwell provides the most practical location where solids laden wastewater can be collected and allowed to settle. The Clearwell discharges directly to the Biosurge Lagoon for eventual treatment through the Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Your earliest review of this request is appreciated. If you require additional information, please contact Mr. Ed Skintik at (513) 648-3151.

Sincerely,

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