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Note to Editors:

NATIVE AMERICAN REMAINS TO BE INTERRED AT FERNALD

On Sunday, May 25, history will be made at the Fernald Environmental Management Project when Native American remains and artifacts found on private property during construction activities to support the Crosby Township Public Water Supply Project will be buried on federally protected land. The event is significant because it is rare for Native American remains found elsewhere to be brought to a federal facility for reburial. This is an example of Native American tribes and the U.S. government working collaboratively to determine the best possible solution for protecting the remains.

Representatives from several tribes will perform a sacred reburial ceremony on the Fernald site. At the request of the Native Americans, attendance at the ceremony is by invitation only, and is not open to the public or media. However, beginning at approximately 1:30 p.m., at the Alpha Building, 10967 Hamilton Cleves Highway, the Native Americans who participated in the reburial ceremony, dressed in their traditional regalia, will be available for interviews.

Who: Fluor Daniel Fernald, the Department of Energy, Native American Representatives and local and state officials.

Participation in the ceremony is by invitation only.

What: Spiritual ceremony to rebury Native American remains on federal property.

Wake following ceremony.

When: Sunday, May 25, 1997.

The wake will begin at approximately 1:30 p.m.

Where: The wake will be at the Alpha Building, 10967 Hamilton Cleves Highway.

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