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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: SRF-5J

RE: Resumption of Work  
Activities at OSDF  
Cell 1

Dear Mr. Reising:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has completed its review of the United States Department of Energy's (U.S. DOE) March 17, 1998, letter requesting to resume impacted material placement in Cell 1 of the On-Site Disposal Facility (OSDF).

Per our discussions on March 17, 1998, and after review of the attachment and information on potential frost penetration, U.S. EPA approves the resumption of impacted material placement in Cell 1.

Given the warm winter it appears construction activities in April should proceed without concern. However, future winter seasons most likely will be more severe, which may result in construction activities being stopped from late November until May. Therefore, future planning of activities should account for such seasonal conditions.

Please contact me at (312) 886-0992 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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