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Dear Mr. Jablonowski and Mr. Schneider:

SILO INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT DESIGN PACKAGE APPROVAL - CLARIFICATIONS

Reference: Letter, T. Schneider to J. Reising, "DOE-FEMP Approval: Response to Comments on Silos Infrastructure Project Design Package," dated February 10, 1999 (M-00612)

As per our conversation on February 10, 1999, the Department of Energy, Fernald Environmental Management Project (DOE-FEMP) responds to the aforementioned clarifications received from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) pertaining to the Silo Infrastructure Project Design package as follows:

- 1) **Comment:** The February 9, 1999, Document Control Number (DCN) replaces sod with seed, but does not mention the soil erosion control matting in those areas. Simply, erosion control matting must be used in all areas disturbed within the stream channel/wetland area.

Response: The word "Sod" was replaced with "Seed" in accordance with the "Seed Specification Section 02900, Seeding." This specification includes provisions to address the concerns.

- 2) **Comment:** Though no above Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC) soils were noted during pre-work sampling, if above WAC soils are encountered they must be

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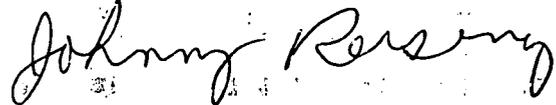
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expediently transported to Soil Pile 7 (SP7) for storage. Temporary stockpiling may occur for no longer than seven days and must be separated by impermeable barrier from underlying soils and surrounded by appropriate erosion control.

Response: Analysis shows that the crews should not encounter any above WAC soils during this project. DOE-FEMP understands OEPA's concerns with stockpiling soils. Every effort will be made to avoid amassing long-term stockpiling during construction activities on the Silos Infrastructure Project. However, there are reasons associated with logistics involved with the On-Site Disposal Facility (OSDF), factors such as weather conditions, higher-than-anticipated amounts of above-WAC soils, or coordination with other soil excavation and transport activities that may necessitate stockpiling for longer than seven days. Therefore, DOE-FEMP would like to consider the "Seven Days" as a goal.

If you have any questions, please contact Nina Akgündüz at (513) 648-3110.

Sincerely,



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