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RE: DOE-FEMP
HAMILTON COUNTY
HAZARDOUS WASTE 2230

Mr. Johnny W. Reising
Project Manager
Department of Energy
Fernald Area Office
P.O. Box 538705
Cincinnati, Ohio 45253-8705

Dear Mr. Reising:

On January 15, 1999, you submitted a letter to Ohio EPA asking for the agency to concur with DOE's position relative to the point of Operable Unit (OU1) waste generation during implementation of the remedial action. The Ohio EPA concurs with the use of the CERCLA Area of Contamination (AOC) Policy as it relates to consolidation of wastes from the waste pits and the ultimate point of characterization for these wastes.

Please note that this letter relates Ohio EPA concurrence with the use of this policy on a conceptual basis. Any concerns with the specifics regarding sampling and characterization of the OU1 wastes will be outlined in Ohio EPA comments based on our review of the Draft Final Remedial Action (RA) Document Package.

If you have any questions or comments, do not hesitate to call me at 937-285-6079.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Pardi
Supervisor
Division of Hazardous Waste Management

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cc: Tom Schneider, Ohio EPA, OFFO
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