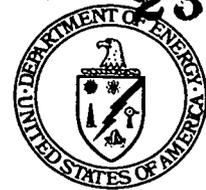




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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

TRANSMITTAL OF RESPONSES TO OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S COMMENTS AND THE REVISED PROJECT SPECIFIC PLAN FOR AREA 2, PHASE I SOUTH FIELD EXCAVATION CHARACTERIZATION

- References:
- 1) Letter, J. Saric to J. Reising, "A2PI South Field Excavation Characterization," dated March 30, 1999
 - 2) Letter, T. Schneider to J. Reising, "DOE- FEMP Approval: PSP for Area 2, Phase I South Field Excavation Characterization," dated April 15, 1999
 - 3) Letter, T. Schneider to J. Reising, "Comments on PSP for A2P1," dated June 7, 1999

Enclosed for your review and approval are responses to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) comments to the revised Project Specific Plan (PSP) for Area 2, Phase I South Field Excavation Characterization. Also enclosed is Revision 1 to this PSP that incorporates these comment responses.

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Sincerely,



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RESPONSES TO THE OEPA COMMENTS ON THE
PROJECT SPECIFIC PLAN FOR AREA 2, PHASE I
SOUTH FIELD EXCAVATION CHARACTERIZATION
(20402-PSP-0002, REVISION 0)

FERNALD ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT

Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA
Section #: General Comment Pg. #: Line #: Commentor: OFFO
Original Comment #: 1 Code: E
Comment: As mentioned numerous times before, please include line numbering to assist in the review and commenting on all documents.

Response: In the past the line numbering has been removed when the PSP was considered pre-approved or approved (Revision 0). Based on the Ohio EPA April 15, 1999 pre-approval letter, the line numbering was removed.

Action: No action required.

Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA
Section #: 1.0 Pg. #: 1-1 Line #: first paragraph Commentor: OFFO
Original Comment #: 2 Code: C
Comment: This paragraph references Section 6.0 for documents on excavation characterization and data collection while the actual Section 6.0 is Data Management. Section 7.0 is Applicable Documents, Methods and Standards. Please correct.

Response: Concur.

Action: The paragraph will be corrected to reference Section 7.0.

Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA
Section #: 1.2 Pg. #: 1-2 Line #: first paragraph Commentor: OFFO
Original Comment #: 3 Code: C
Comment: The last sentence references Section 6.0 when the correct section is 7.0. Please correct.

Response: Concur.

Action: The sentence will be corrected to reference Section 7.0.

Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA
Section #: 1.2 Pg. #: 1-3 Line #: second paragraph Commentor: OFFO
Original Comment #: 4 Code: C
Comment: This paragraph references Section 6.0 for training procedures, while 6.0 discusses Data Management. Please clarify.

Response: The paragraph referenced the incorrect section.

Action: The paragraph will be corrected to reference Section 7.0.

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Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA
 Section #: 2.2 Pg. #: 2-2 Line #: first paragraph Commentor: OFFO
 Code: C
 Original Comment #: 5

Comment: This section, and all sections in this document which reference the use of the Gator must be removed. Ohio EPA has not seen any information regarding the use, reliability and comparability of data gathered with the Gator and will not approve the use of it without further information. Please correct.

Response: DOE does not intend to use the Gator until all calibrations are completed and approved. The text was added in expectation of using the Gator later in the summer if approved.

Action: DOE will not use the Gator until approved by the U.S. EPA and OEPA. DOE is developing a letter to document the schedule for calibration and the expected time for readiness of the Gator. The text referring to the use of the Gator will remain in the PSP and a variance will be written to defer use of the equipment until Agency approval.

Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA
 Section #: 2.3.4 Pg. #: 2-5 Line #: first paragraph Commentor: OFFO
 Code: C
 Original Comment #: 6

Comment: This section references a process shown in Figure 2-2, while Figure 2-2 is a map of the Southern Waste Units. Please correct.

Response: Concur.

Action: The reference will be corrected to Figure 2-1.

Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA
 Section #: 2.6 Pg. #: 2-10 Line #: first sentence Commentor: OFFO
 Code: C
 Original Comment #: 7

Comment: This section references Figure 2-3 for Area D lead-contaminated soil, while Figure 2-3 is an Excavation Monitoring form. Please clarify.

Response: The section referenced the incorrect figure.

Action: The reference will be corrected to Figure 2-2.

Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA
 Section #: Appendix A Pg. #: 4 of 13 Line #: first paragraph Commentor: OFFO
 Code: C
 Original Comment #: 8

Comment: See Comment 5.

Response: See response to Comment 5.

Action: See action to Comment 5.

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