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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

### TRANSMITTAL OF RESPONSES TO THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY COMMENTS AND THE FINAL CERTIFICATION DESIGN LETTER FOR AREA 8, PHASE III-SOUTH

- References:
- 1) Letter, J. Saric to J. Reising, "A8PIII Certification Design Letter," dated March 21, 2000
  - 2) Letter, T. Schneider to J. Reising, "Approval - CDL for A8PIII-S Certification Sampling," dated May 1, 2000
  - 3) Letter, T. Schneider to J. Reising, "Conditional Approval - PSP for A8PIII-S Certification Sampling," dated May 1, 2000

Enclosed for your approval are responses to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) comments, and the final Certification Design Letter (CDL) for Area 8, Phase III-South (A8PIIIS). The CDL reflects text changes made in response to a comment per Reference 1. A Variance/Field Change Notice (V/FCN) will be issued in response to an U.S. EPA comment on the Project Specific Plan (PSP) for A8PIIIS Certification Sampling (Reference 1). Approval of the CDL and conditional approval of the PSP was received on May 1, 2000 from OEPA (References 2 and 3). A V/FCN will also be issued in response to the OEPA comment on this PSP.

Mr. James A. Saric  
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If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Robert Janke at (513) 648-3124.

Sincerely,



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**RESPONSES TO U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY COMMENTS  
ON THE DRAFT CERTIFICATION DESIGN LETTER AND  
PROJECT SPECIFIC PLAN FOR AREA 8, PHASE III-SOUTH  
CERTIFICATION SAMPLING  
(21110-RP-0001, REVISION A/21110-PSP-0002, REVISION 0)**

**FERNALD ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT**

**SPECIFIC COMMENTS**

Commenting Organization: U.S. EPA  
Section #: 4.1  
Original Specific Comment #: 1  
Comment: The text in the Certification Design Letter (CDL) states that certification units (CUs) A8PIIIS-04 and A8PIIIS-05 are located in the east central portion and northwest portion of A8PIII respectively. However, Figure 9 indicates that CU A8PIIIS-04 is in the northwest portion and CU A8PIIIS-05 is in the east-central portion of A8PIII.

Response: Agree that there is a discrepancy. Figure 9 is correct.

Action: The text will be changed for submittal of the final CDL to reflect the correct locations of A8PIIIS-04 and A8PIIIS-05.

Commenting Organization: U.S. EPA  
Section #: Figure 2-1  
Original Specific Comment #: 2  
Comment: Figure 2-1 in the Project Specific Plan indicates that samples 2, 6, 10, 12 and 16 from CU A8PIIIS-01 will be archived. However, the table in Appendix B of the PSP indicates that only samples 2, 6, 10, and 16 will be archived.

Response: Agree that there is a discrepancy. The table in Appendix B is correct. Only samples 2, 6, 10, and 16 should be designated as archives.

Action: The archive destination (V) will be removed from sample 12 on Figure 2-1. A Variance/Field Change Notice (V/FCN) will be issued to reflect this change and the corrected Figure 2-1 will be attached to the V/FCN.

RESPONSES TO OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY COMMENTS  
ON THE DRAFT PROJECT SPECIFIC PLAN FOR AREA 8, PHASE III-SOUTH  
CERTIFICATION SAMPLING  
(21110-PSP-0002, REVISION 0)

FERNALD ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT

SPECIFIC COMMENT

Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA

Commentator: OFFO

Section #: 4.0

Pg. #: 4-1

Line #: 39

Code: C

Original Comment #: 1

Comment: Remove all references at the end of Section 4.0 which refer to the PSP being revised at a future date. No document is to be revised after Agency approval.

Response: Agree. No changes will be made to the PSP after Agency approval. The proper step, filing a Variance/ Field Change Notice (V/FCN), will be followed for any changes, clarifications, or additions to this PSP.

Action: A V/FCN will be written to clarify the text at the bottom of Page 4-1 discussing revisions to the PSP. All revisions will be made through a V/FCN. No changes will be made directly to the language of the PSP after Agency approval.