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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: SRF-5J

Mr. Johnny W. Reising  
United States Department of Energy  
Fernald Area Office  
P.O. Box 398705  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45239-8705

Subject: Accelerated Waste Retrieval Project Construction Activities.

Dear Mr. Reising:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has reviewed the above-referenced letter, received on September 8, 2000, as part of its oversight activities for Operable Unit 4 at the Fernald Environmental Management Project (FEMP). The letter is a request for authorization to proceed with five listed construction activities addressed in the draft Accelerated Waste Retrieval (AWR) Project Remedial Design (RD) Package, currently under U.S. EPA and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency review.

U.S. EPA agrees with the United States Department of Energy's evaluation that proceeding with these construction activities should not impact the AWR project team's ability to address any of the U.S. EPA or OEPA concerns noted with the AWR RD Package. Please contact me at (312) 886-4591 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Remedial Project Manager  
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SFD Remedial Response Branch #2

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