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Mr. Johnny Reising
U.S. Department of Energy, Fernald Area Office
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Cincinnati, OH 45253-8705

RE: Approval- Certification Report for Area 1, Phase II

Dear Mr. Reising:

Ohio EPA has reviewed DOE's October 4, 2000 submittal on the "Transmittal of the Final Certification Report for Area 1, Phase II". Based upon our review, Ohio EPA approves this document, with the following comment:

Commenting Organization: OEPA Commentor: OFFO
Section #: Executive Summary Pg.#: ES-1 Line #: middle of first paragraph Code:C
Original Comment #:
Comment: "On the basis... no additional remediation actions are required in this area of the site except with the two certification units stated below. With the exception of these two CUs, the remaining CUs can be considered 'certified'". Ohio EPA believes this to be old text left from the last version of the Certification Report, referring to the certification which has since been complete in the Trap Range. Please revise the text to indicate the current status of complete certification for this area.

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Waller or me.

Sincerely,

Michelle Waller
for
Thomas A. Schneider
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