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Mr. Johnny W. Reising  
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Subject: Silos 1 and 2 Accelerated Waste Retrieval Project Updated  
Construction Activities

Dear Mr. Reising:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has completed its review of the United States Department of Energy's (U.S. DOE) January 16, 2001, letter requesting authorization to proceed with six additional construction activities covered by the Accelerated Waste Retrieval Project (AWR) Project Remedial Design (RD) Package. U.S. DOE states that each of the six additional construction activities has been evaluated in relationship to the U.S. EPA and Ohio EPA comments on the AWR RD Package. U.S. DOE also states that proceeding with these six additional construction activities will not impact the ability to resolve any U.S. EPA or Ohio EPA comments during final review of the AWR RD Package.

U.S. EPA concurs with U.S. DOE's request for authorization to proceed with the six additional construction activities covered by the AWR RD Package. Please contact me at (312) 886-4591 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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