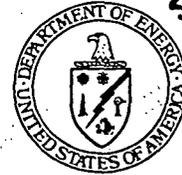




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Dear Mr. Jablonowski and Mr. Schneider:

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF DATE FOR RESPONSE TO COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT  
REVISED REMEDIAL DESIGN PACKAGE FOR THE SILOS 1 AND 2 ACCELERATED WASTE  
RETRIEVAL PROJECT**

- References: 1. Letter from G. Jablonowski to J. Reising, "Disapproval of Draft Revised Remedial Design Package for the Silos 1 and 2 Accelerated Waste Retrieval Project," dated July 26, 2002
2. Letter from T. Schneider to J. Reising, "Comments - Draft Revised RD Package for Silos 1 and 2 Accelerated Waste Retrieval Project," dated July 19, 2002

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension for the response to comments on the draft Remedial Design (RD) Package for the Accelerated Waste Retrieval (AWR) Project. References 1 and 2 provided comments from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) on the draft Revised RD Package for the Silos 1 and 2 AWR Project. In accordance with the document review schedule established by Paragraph XII.G.5 of the Amended Consent Agreement (ACA), responses to the USEPA and OEPA comments, as well as the draft Final Revised RD Package, are due to be submitted to the USEPA by August 28, 2002 (30 days after receipt of USEPA comments). The ACA provides that the Department of Energy, Fernald Environmental Management Project (DOE-FEMP) may extend the 30-day period for submittal of a response to comments and draft final document by up to 20 days upon request.

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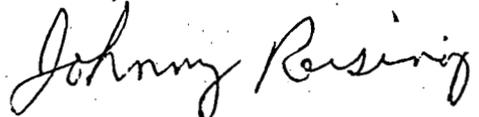
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As you are aware, draft responses to the comments have been prepared, and were reviewed with the USEPA at a meeting in Oak Ridge on August 21, 2002. A meeting is scheduled at the Fernald site for August 26, 2002 to review draft comment responses with the OEPA.

The necessary revisions to the RD Package to incorporate responses to the USEPA and OEPA comments have been initiated. As was discussed informally with the USEPA at our August 21, 2002 meeting, necessary revisions to the Radon Control System Performance Calculation, as well as incorporation of any additional input received from OEPA at the August 26, 2002 meeting, may not be completed by the August 28, 2002 date. Therefore, DOE is requesting that the submittal date for the response to the referenced USEPA and OEPA comments, and the draft Final Revised RD Package for the AWR Project be extended to September 6, 2002, in accordance with Paragraph XII.G.6 of the ACA.

If there are any questions, please contact Nina Akgündüz at 648-3118.

Sincerely,



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