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Mr. Johnny W. Reising  
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RE: Waste Pit 4 Cap  
Revised Excavation Plan

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) August 8, 2002, Waste Pit 4 cap sampling results, revised excavation strategy and response to U.S. EPA's comments; and the August 29, 2002, variance to the Waste Pit 4 cap excavation implementation plan.

The revised plan and variance to the Waste Pit 4 cap excavation together adequately address U.S. EPA's previous comments. Therefore, U.S. EPA approves the above-referenced documents. The ultimate disposition of the Waste Pit 4 cap materials, if different than that prescribed in the Record of Decision (ROD), will have to be addressed in a post-ROD change document.

Please contact me at (312) 886-0992 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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