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Mr. Johnny Reising
USDOE FEMP
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Cincinnati, OH 45253-8705

RE: WASTE PIT 4 CAP EXCAVATION IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Dear Mr. Reising,

Ohio EPA has reviewed DOE's August 12, 2002 submittal, "Waste Pit 4 Cap, Sampling Results, Revised Excavation Strategy, and Response to USEPA Comments" and the August 29, 2002 "Variance to Revision 0 of the Waste Pits Remedial Action Project Waste Pit 4 Excavation Implementation Plan." Based upon our review, Ohio EPA concurs with the proposed excavation strategy. Ohio EPA does not concur that the material meets the OSDF WAC as requested in DOE's 8/12/2002 submittal as this material is excluded from disposal in the OSDF through the Operable Unit 1 Record of Decision. If the excavation is properly implemented and storage area protected, the contaminant levels as shown in the data submitted in the excavation plan should be maintained.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (937) 285-6466.

Sincerely,

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