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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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RE: A6 Phase 1 Precertification  
Real-Time Scan

Dear Mr. Reising:

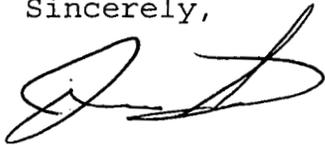
The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has completed its review of the United States Department of Energy's (U.S. DOE) draft Project Specific Plan (PSP) for Area 6 (A6), Phase 1 precertification real-time scan. The PSP details surface scanning activities, including confirmation measurements and, if necessary, hot spot delineation.

The document appears technically adequate. However, U.S. EPA has one comment on the document. The project specific plan (PSP) states that "the open field in A6, Phase 1 was subjected to a surface (less than 1 foot) soil excavation in 1997 to support the construction of the WPRAP railroad facilities." The PSP does not indicate whether the construction activities included placement of fill or construction materials in this area. Any such fill or construction materials should be addressed before Phase 1 activities are conducted. The PSP should be revised to clarify this matter.

Therefore, U.S. EPA approves the A6, Phase 1 precertification PSP pending receipt of an adequate response to the above comment. U.S. DOE must submit a Response to Comment along with any necessary change pages to U.S. EPA within thirty (30) days receipt of this letter.

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

Sincerely,



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