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Mr. Johnny Reising  
United States Department of Energy  
Feed Materials Production Center  
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RE: Final Northern Pines Plantation  
Restoration Design Plan and RTC

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) Responses to Comments (RTC) and final Northern Pines Plantation natural resource restoration design plan. The plan details the conversion of the planted pine plantation in the northern portion of the site to the early stage of a deciduous forest with interspersed areas of wetlands and grasslands.

The RTC have adequately addressed U.S. EPA's previous comments and they have been incorporated into the document. Therefore, U.S. EPA approves the final Northern Pines Plantation natural resource restoration design plan.

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

Sincerely,

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