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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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RE: AWWT Brine and Eluate System Tie-in

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) July 2, 2003, letter regarding the need to perform the tie-in for the brine and eluate lines at the Advanced Wastewater Treatment and maintenance on the Cla-Valve at the Valve House.

The rationale for the maintenance and other activities appears adequate. Therefore, U.S. EPA approves U.S. DOE's request to perform such activities. Further, consistent with the Operable Unit 5 Record of Decision, U.S. DOE is not required to consider the uranium concentrations at the Parshall Flume for three days during the above-mentioned activities when calculating the monthly average.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (312) 886-0992.

Sincerely,

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