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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF SR-6J

Mr. Glenn Griffiths  
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Subject: Draft Remedial Action Work Plan for the Waste Retrieval Operations  
 - Accelerated Waste Retrieval Project

Dear Mr. Griffiths:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) received the above-referenced document, dated September 10, 2003, on September 12, 2003. The document describes the proposed operations associated with transfer of Silo material from Silos 1 and 2 to the Transfer Tank Area and the Silo 1 and 2 Remediation Facility, and specifies the following milestones:

- December 1, 2003 Submit Heel / Decant Sump Tank Sludge Removal Plan to U.S. EPA for review
- May 28, 2004 Submit D&D Implementation Plan for the OU4 Complex to U.S. EPA for review
- June 30, 2004 Submit Silos 1 and 2 Remedial Action Work Plan to U.S. EPA for review
- September 8, 2004 Initiate Silo Waste Retrieval Operations

U.S. EPA comments provided on the July 17, 2003 draft document were adequately addressed; therefore, U.S. EPA approves the document. The milestones specified are regulatory milestones under the Amended Consent Agreement. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (312) 886-4591.

Sincerely,

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