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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

**TRANSMITTAL OF THE PROJECT SPECIFIC PLAN FOR THE WASTE PITS PROJECT AT
 THE FERNALD CLOSURE PROJECT - SAMPLING OF WASTE BIN 6 CONTENTS FOR
 TETRACHLOROETHENE**

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the Project Specific Plan (PSP) for the Waste Pits Project (WPP) at the Fernald Closure Project (FCP), for sampling of Waste Bin 6 contents for tetrachloroethene. The document is submitted for your agency's review and approval.

Section 2.3.4 of the Sampling and Analysis Plan for the WPP defines the action to be taken in the event waste material is identified as being non-compliant with the Envirocare Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC) and Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) regulatory limits. Specifically, in the event waste bin samples indicate a potential for failure of a RCRA characteristic, an approach for confirming and defining the extent of the failure is to be developed and submitted to your agency for review and approval.

Such an event occurred in January 2004 while sampling pit material during the filling of Bin 6. One photoionization detector reading exceeded an action limit and the subsequent toxicity characteristic leaching procedure analysis of this material indicated an elevated level of tetrachloroethene. As required, the WPP developed the enclosed PSP for the investigation of this material.

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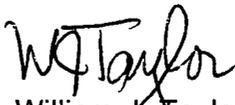
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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Dave Lojek at _____
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Sincerely,


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