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APPROVAL OF OU 1 DEEP PROJECT SPECIFIC PLAN

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:
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Mr. Johnny W. Reising
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RE: Approval of OU 1 DEEP Project
Specific Plan

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) Operable Unit (OU) 1, Dewatering and Excavation Evaluation Project (DEEP) treatability study addendum-Project Specific plan (PSP) for the ramp and pad excavation of waste pits 1 and 3.

This DEEP treatability study is designed to evaluate waste dewatering and excavation techniques that will be implemented during remediation of the OU 1 waste pits. Specifically, the ramp and pad excavations are necessary to determine if the pit waste can support tracked construction equipment and the stability of the excavation side slopes.

Therefore, U.S. EPA approves the OU 1 PSP for the DEEP ramp and pad excavations.

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

Sincerely,

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