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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF OPERABLE UNIT 5 SOIL REMEDIATION
MILESTONE DATE - SUBMITTAL OF THE CERTIFICATION REPORT FOR
SELECTED AREA 6 AND AREA 7 CONCRETE STRUCTURES**

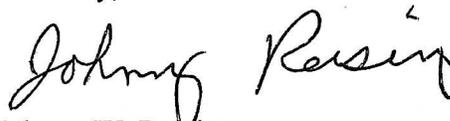
- References:
- 1) Letter, J. Saric to J. Reising, "Area 6 and Area 7 Concrete Structures CDL and Certification PSP," dated March 2, 2006
 - 2) Letter DOE-0089-06, J. Reising to J. Saric/T. Schneider, "Transmittal of Response to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Comments and the Revised Certification Design Letter and Certification Project Specific Plan for Selected Area 6 and Area 7 Concrete Structures," dated March 14, 2006
 - 3) Letter, T. Schneider to J. Reising, "Disapproval - RTCs on the CDL and Certification PSP for Selected A6 and A7 Concrete Structures," dated April 18, 2006
 - 4) Letter DOE-0116-06, J. Reising, "Transmittal of the Response to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Comment and Change Pages to the Revised Certification Design Letter and Certification Project Specific Plan for Selected Area 6 and Area 7 Concrete Structures," dated April 26, 2006

The purpose of this letter is to request your approval to extend the date for submittal of the Certification Report for Selected Area 6 and Area 7 Concrete Structures from May 9, 2006 to July 19, 2006. This milestone date was established in the revised Certification Design Letter and Certification Project Specific Plan dated March 2006 as noted in the Reference 2. Consistent with Section XVIII of the Amended Consent Agreement, DOE-FCP believes good cause exists for extending this milestone date due to the continued use of the Silos Project Trailer Staging area for storage of loaded trailers awaiting off-site shipment. The loaded trailers primarily contain waste canisters of the surrogate and hold-up materials from the Silos 1 and 2 Project facilities. The shipping operation will be completed by the end of May 2006. As requested by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Reference 3), concrete sampling in this area cannot be done until all Silos containers are removed.

DOE believes "good cause," as consistent with Section XVIII of the Amended Consent Agreement, exists to extend the milestone date given the circumstances. The Selected Area 6 and Area 7 Concrete Structures Certification Report is anticipated to be complete and submitted to the Regulatory Agencies on or before July 19, 2006.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (513) 648-3139.

Sincerely,



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