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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION FOR SUBMITTAL OF THE CERTIFICATION REPORT FOR AREA 6 GENERAL AREA EAST

- References:
- 1) Letter DOE-0088-06, J. Reising to J. Saric/T. Schneider, "Transmittal of the Draft Certification Design Letter and Certification Project Specific Plan for Area 6 General Area East," dated March 14, 2006
 - 2) Letter, J. Saric to J. Reising, "Area 6 General Area East CDL and Certification PSP," dated April 4, 2006
 - 3) Letter, T. Schneider to J. Reising, "Approval - CDL and Certification PSP for A6 General Area East," dated April 24, 2006

The purpose of this letter is to request your approval to extend the date for submittal of the Certification Report for Area 6 General Area East from June 1, 2006 to July 1, 2006. This milestone date was established in the draft Certification Design Letter and Certification Project Specific Plan dated March 2006 as noted in the Reference 1. Consistent with Section XVIII of the Amended Consent Agreement, DOE-FCP believes good cause exists for extending this milestone. On April 26, 2006, a 5,000-gallon tank trailer used to move contaminated water to the Converted Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility for treatment overturned during filling operations spilling contaminated water from Soil Stockpile 7 into a ditch within Area 6 General Area East. This incident involved two of the 18 certification units in this area. After an excavation involving the removal of resin beads and water soaked soil to a depth of approximately 10 inches, sampling was needed to show that the spill had not created an above-final remediation level condition in an area in the process of being certified. While

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re-sampling in the spill-affected area was completed by April 28, 2006, the subsequent safety shutdown of the site delayed shipment of the samples to the laboratory until May 8, 2006. Given that the earliest expected date of receipt of the analytical data is June 7, 2006, the current submission date is not possible.

DOE believes "good cause," as consistent with Section XVIII of the Amended Consent Agreement, exists to extend the milestone date given the circumstances. The Area 6 General Area East Certification Report is anticipated to be complete and submitted to the Regulatory Agencies on or before July 1, 2006.

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

Sincerely,



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