



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

April 5, 2005

Mr. Johnny W. Reising
United States Department of Energy
Fernald Closure Project
175 Tri-County Parkway
Springdale, Ohio 45246

SR-6J

RE: Silo 1 and 2 Surrogate Disposal

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) March 4, 2005, letter requesting approval to dispose of surrogate materials from the accelerated waste retrieval project and Silos 1 and 2 treatment facility testing operations into the On-Site Disposal Facility (OSDF). The letter also provides the analytical results for the surrogate material.

The request appears technically sound and the material does not exceed the waste acceptance criteria for the OSDF. Therefore, U.S. EPA concurs with U.S. DOE's request to dispose of the surrogate material into the OSDF.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Saric", written over a white background.

James A. Saric
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cc: Tom Schneider, OEPA-SWDO
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