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**RE: CONTRACT DE-AC24-01OH20115, TRANSMITTAL OF OHIO
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY COMMENTS ON THE SILOS
AREA NATURAL RESOURCE RESTORATION DESIGN PLAN, FINAL,
REVISION 0**

Mr. Reising:

Ohio EPA has reviewed DOE's "Contract DE-AC24-01OH20115, Transmittal Of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Comments On The Silos Area Natural Resource Restoration Design Plan, Final, Revision 0 (DOE-0171-06)" submitted July 24, 2006. Ohio EPA has reviewed this document and our comments are enclosed.

If there are any questions, please contact me or Joe Bartoszek.

Sincerely,

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**RESPONSES TO THE DOE RESPONSES TO OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY COMMENTS ON THE SILOS AREA NATURAL RESOURCE
RESTORATION DESIGN PLAN**

Comments:

- 1) Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA Commentor: DSW
Section #: General Pg #: NA Line #: NA Code: C
Original Comment #: 1
Response: The original comment addressed the lack of integration of the MUEF design and the NRRDP. The response that the facilities and infrastructure for the MUEF were incorporated in the NRRDP and the grading was not to allow a "clean slate" for the MUEF design is insufficient. As noted in the original comment, the trail heads at the MUEF do not continue into the restoration areas in the NRRDP. In this case the NRRDP is more like a conceptual plan rather than a design plan. More detail and integration with the MUEF design is expected in the NRRDP.

- 2) Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA Commentor: DSW
Section #: 3.1.1 Pg #: 3-1 Line #: NA Code: C
Original Comment #: 3
Response: The comment that a contingency plan should be in place means that it should be in place in the NRRDP, not that a plan will be developed if the pads must be removed. Such a plan could not be considered a contingency plan.

- 3) Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA Commentor: DSW
Section #: 4.2 Pg #: 4-2 Line #: NA Code: C
Original Comment #: 4
Response: If the slopes will be reduced as much as possible in the field, the NRRDP should state that, for example the sentence could read "Slopes will be reduced as much as possible in the field with side slopes graded to no more than 5:1".

- 4) Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA Commentor: DSW
Section #: Sheet G-10 Pg #: NA Line #: NA Code: C
Original Comment #: 5
Response: The NRRDP should be revised to reflect this.

- 5) Commenting Organization: Ohio EPA Commentor: DSW
Section #: 4.3.2 & drawings Pg #: 4-4 Line #: NA Code: C
Original Comment #: 7
Response: The NRRDP should be revised to reflect this.