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RE: APPROVAL – ON THE FINAL CERTIFICATION REPORT FOR SWRB AREA

Mr. Reising:

Ohio EPA has received DOE's "Transmittal of Responses to Ohio EPA Comments and the Final Certification Report for the Former Storm Water Retention Basin Area (20500-RP-0005)," submitted on November 21, 2006. Based upon our review and recent conversations between Fluor Fernald and Geo Trans, in regards to a *posteriori* sample size calculations, Ohio EPA approves the Response to Comments and the Final Certification Report.

If there are any questions, please contact Laura Hafer, Donna Bohannon or me.

Sincerely,

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