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Dear Mr. Epstein:

SUBJECT: Submittal of the 2006-2007 Annual Report of Archaeological Activities at the Fernald Preserve

Reference 1: Memo, Gray and Pape, Inc. to Fluor Fernald, Inc., reference "Curation Summary," dated May 16, 2006.

Reference 2: Memo, Gray and Pape, Inc. to Fluor Fernald, Inc., reference "Curation of Unanticipated Discovery Artifacts," dated January 23, 2007.

In accordance with the Programmatic Agreement among the United States Department of Energy (DOE), Fernald Office, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and the Ohio Historic Preservation Office regarding Archaeological Investigations at the Fernald Environmental Monitoring Project, signed March 6, 1997, the 2006-2007 Annual Report of Archaeological Activities conducted at the Fernald Preserve is being submitted.

During the time period of June 2006 to June 2007 no archaeological investigations were conducted at the Fernald Preserve to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and 36 CFR 800, "Protection of Historic and Cultural Properties." Archaeological activities were limited to:

- Monitoring of all Fernald Preserve Projects continued under 36 CFR 800.11, "Properties discovered during implementation of an undertaking."
- Evaluating unexpected discoveries for "Areas of potential effects," Section 800.2(c)

During remediation activities along a portion of Paddy's Run referred to as the Oxbow Area, historic cultural resource items were discovered on the west bank of the stream. In 1997, a Phase I archaeological survey was conducted on the bluff above the stream bank. At that time, a stone well and some historic glass were documented, but the site was not assigned a state site identification number and no further investigation was recommended or conducted.

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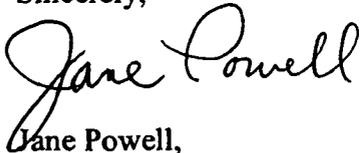
An archaeologist from Gray and Pape, Inc. was called out to the site in August 2006 to evaluate the current findings. The evaluation revealed that while there were historic artifacts scattered across the bank, the site does not retain integrity and would add little to the information on historic settlement in the Fernald area. No further work was recommended.

All archaeological collections recovered from the Fernald site were inventoried and prepared for curation by Gray and Pape, Inc. (Reference 1). Unexpected discoveries collected at the Fernald site were also inventoried and prepared for curation (Reference 2). All artifacts were transferred to the Ohio Historical Society in Columbus on January 10, 2007 for curation.

No effects of Cultural Resources (i.e., archaeological) were recorded in the reporting year.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at 513-648-3148.

Sincerely,



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