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**RE: APPROVAL OF DIRECT HAUL OF ADDITIONAL BULK MATERIALS TO WPRAP**

Dear Mr. Reising:

In our letter to you dated November 15, 2001, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency approved the hauling of bulk waste directly to the waste pits area. This approach was deemed more efficient than the previous 2-step approach in which materials had been temporarily staged at SP-7 and subsequently moved to the waste pit area. However, your letter left open the option of using SP-7 as an intermediate storage area for AWWT sludges and other materials if necessary for operational needs. We limited our approval to only those materials listed in Attachment 3 and we requested that if additional materials were destined for disposal through the waste pits project, they be described in an additional letter.

Your letter DOE-0375-02, requests approval for additional wastes. However, the attached list contains materials that are not suited for management in a waste pile because of their propensity to become dispersed by the wind. Materials in this category include: floor sweepings; dust collector residues; grit blast residue; and incinerator cinders. In addition, disinfected bird carcasses would be expected to attract wild animals providing a mechanism for dispersal of radioactive contamination.

This letter provides our approval to direct haul these materials to the WPRAP as long as the material is not staged at SP-7. It is our expectation that the bulk waste be managed as outlined in your original letter. The material should be secured by bucket compacting or proof rolling to provide a tight surface. Alternately, covering with a tarp or spraying the surface with ConCover is acceptable. Whatever method is used, the stage material should be inspected at least weekly to verify that it is secure and repairs/rework should be performed as needed. Above-WAC material excavated by the Soils Project and AWWT sludges may be placed in SP-7 as usual.

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Written notification should be provided to Ohio EPA prior to waste transfer for any additional wastes not specifically approved in this letter.

Should you have any questions, please contact Tom Ontko or me.

Sincerely,

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