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Mr. Tom Schneider, Project Manager  
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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

**TRANSMITTAL OF THE REVISED AREA 9 PHASE III ABANDONED OUTFALL LINE  
EXCAVATION PLAN PART ONE, THE EXCAVATION CONTROL PROJECT SPECIFIC PLAN,  
CERTIFICATION DESIGN LETTER, AND PROJECT SPECIFIC PLAN FOR CERTIFICATION  
SAMPLING PART ONE**

Enclosed for your review and approval are the following revised documents:

- Area 9, Phase III Abandoned Outfall Line Excavation Plan, Part One
- Area 9 Phase III Excavation Control Project Specific Plan
- Certification Design Letter for Area 9, Phase III – Part One
- Project Specific Plan for Area 9, Phase III Certification Sampling – Part One.

These revised documents now incorporate all the improved technical approaches and requirements agreed upon during meeting discussions and conference calls between the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA), Department of Energy (DOE), and Fluor Fernald in the last two weeks for excavation, excavation control, and certification after the initial version of these documents were submitted.

The 80-foot section of the outfall line east of Manhole 177 under the Mid-Valley Oil Pipeline will be handled with the section under the State R128 in Part Two of this project Route later this year. This schedule change will allow more time for thorough evaluation, engineering design, and consultation with the Mid-Valley Pipeline Company for the safe removal of this section of the outfall line. It will also allow more cost-effective equipment

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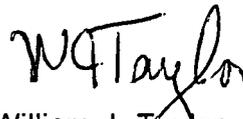
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utilization since the same special equipment may be required to remove these two sections of the outfall line in order to minimize surface impacts on the pressurized fuel pipeline and the State Route 128 traffic. The excavation plan for this phase of the project will be submitted for your review and approval by September 15, 2004.

With your concurrence, Manhole 176 has been successfully excavated on July 22, 2004 following these documents. DOE would like to initiate excavation of the remaining portion of the outfall line specified in these document during the week of July 26, 2004. Your quick review and approval of these revised documents will be highly appreciated.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Johnny Reising at (513) 648-3139.

Sincerely,



William J. Taylor  
Director

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Enclosures: As Stated

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