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April 30, 2003

REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program

SUBJECT: Public Review and Comment Period for the "North County Site Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan"

Mr. Christopher Clayton  
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Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20585

Dear Mr. Clayton:

As you are aware the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), St. Louis District, has been working to develop cleanup alternatives for the St. Louis North County Site. [The North County Site includes St. Louis Airport Site (SLAPS), the SLAPS Vicinity Properties (VPs) and the Hazelwood Interim Storage Site (HISS) / Latty Avenue VPs.] In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, these alternatives are presented in two documents, the *St. Louis North County Site Feasibility Study* and the *St. Louis North County Site Proposed Plan*. A CD containing the documents is enclosed.

The Feasibility Study identifies and evaluates six alternatives for cleaning up the St. Louis North County Site. The Proposed Plan identifies the USACE-preferred alternative for the North County Site, provides the rationale for this preference, and includes summaries of the five other cleanup alternatives evaluated. The USACE-preferred alternative is Alternative 5, "**Excavation with Institutional Controls under Roads, Bridges, Railroads, and Other Permanent Structures**". This alternative requires excavation for surface soils (0-6 inches) exceeding 5/14/50 pCi/g for Ra-226, Th-230 and U-238 and for subsurface soils exceeding 15/15/50 pCi/g for Ra-226 and Th-230 and U-238. Areas under roads, bridges, railroads and other permanent structures will be identified as inaccessible and institutional controls will be placed upon these areas. Please note that the final remedy will not be selected until USACE has received and considered all public and regulatory agency comments obtained during the 30-day comment period. The 30-day comment period begins on May 1, 2003 and ends May 31, 2003.

Considering that the Department of Energy will ultimately be responsible for long-term stewardship of the North County Site and that coordination and cooperation between our agencies is critical to the success of this project, I want to take this opportunity to

invite you to participate in this process by submitting any comments you have regarding the documents and by participating in the public hearing, which is scheduled for May 29, 2003. The public hearing will be held at the Hazelwood Civic Center – East, beginning at 6 p.m. with a poster session and technical staff available to answer questions. At 7 p.m. the USACE will briefly identify the alternatives and request verbal comments from the public. Written comments may be sent through U.S. mail to the St. Louis District Corps of Engineers, FUSRAP Project Office, ATTN: Ms. Sharon Cotner, 8945 Latty Avenue, Berkeley, Missouri 63134.

I am hopeful that you will be able to attend the public hearing. The Department of Energy's presence will assuage community concerns regarding long-term federal commitments that the future use of this site will remain fully protective of human health and the environment. I look forward to working with you on this.

If you have further questions or comments regarding any of the information above, please contact me at (314) 260-3915.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sharon R. Cotner".

Sharon R. Cotner  
FUSRAP Program Manager

Enclosure

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