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Dear Mr. Adler.

In response to your April 24, 1992 request for information on local aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna at the St. Louis site, we queried the Heritage Data Base.

Enclosed are printouts from the database that include lists of rare and endangered species likely to occur in St. Louis County, and known fish and wildlife species likely to occur in St. Louis County. The lists include 37 rare and endangered species and 538 fish and wildlife species. In addition, I have enclosed a list of sensitive species and high quality natural communities known from St. Louis County.

The absence of further occurrences of sensitive species and natural communities does not mean that they do not occur within the impacted area, merely that no additional information is known at this time. This report should not be regarded as a final statement on the presence or absence of rare or endangered species or high quality natural communities; only an on-site inspection can verify the absence of existence of such species or communities.

I hope this response meets your needs.

Sincerely,

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Two species occur in/along the Mississippi River and Missouri River in the vicinity of the sites identified by the Department of Energy.

Pallid sturgeon (Scaphirhynchus albus) is state and federal listed Endangered.

Overwintering bald eagles (Haliaectus leucocephalus) are state and federal listed Endangered.

A complete list of sensitive species and high-quality natural communities is also provided. Except for the two species listed above, it is unlikely that any other Rare or Endangered species would be affected at these project sites.

In addition, a Procedures printout of all animals of St. Louis County is included.

Note: The list of animals of St. Louis is not included in this document due to the length of the list. Anyone may view this list by accessing the Heritage Database or by contacting Science Applications International Corporation, St. Ann, Missouri.

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