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Mr. Gregory D. McCabe Site Assessment and Federal Facility Section - Superfund Branch U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region VII 726 Minnesota Avenue Kansas City, Kansas 66101

Dear Mr. McCabe:

Quarterly Progress Report for the Period July-September 1991

The following items represent the significant activities and achievements related to the FUSRAP St. Louis Site for the period July-September 1991:

- The draft final versions of the Work Plan and Community Relations Plan were provided to EPA and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) for review.
- The public comment period for the St. Louis Downtown Site (SLDS) Engineering Evaluation/Cost Assessment (EE/CA) closed during July. Comments were received from three reviewers; and a draft responsiveness summary was prepared.
 - DOE responded to a request from an owner of commercial/industrial property on Latty Avenue who asked that DOE purchase that property in order to "avoid future litigation related to diminution of property value." The response indicated that DOE was not permitted to purchase the property, but, that DOE would provide assistance to the property owner for conducting maintenance/modification work in contaminated areas as well as to prevent the spread of contamination to new areas.
 - The 1990 Annual Site Environmental Reports (ASERs) for the St. Louis Airport Site (SLAPS) and the Hazelwood Interim Storage Site (HISS) were completed and made available to the public.
 - DOE provided Mallinckrodt with technical assistance and laborers trained in radiological health and decontamination practices to support a decontamination washdown of ceilings and mezzanines in a building at SLDS. Slightly contaminated, loose paint had been flaking off the building overheads. The decontamination washdown removed the loose paint, thereby controlling the spread of contamination and allowing Mallinckrodt to repaint the surfaces.

An engineering design was prepared and work was initiated to upgrade Building 116 at SLDS in preparation for the building's eventual use as an onsite interim storage area.

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• As a result of the pile cover tear at HISS earlier in the year, DOE performed an engineering evaluation to assess options for strengthening the existing pile covers. As a result of this evaluation, work was initiated to install a reinforcing layer of high-strength, synthetic mesh over the piles at the HISS.

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• DOE personnel met with Congresswomen Joan Kelly Horn and with St. Louis County Executive Buzz Westfall to discuss plans and schedules for cleanup activities. Interim removal actions in the North County area were discussed; and reaction to the possibility of this work appeared to be neutral.

Please advise if you have questions or comments regarding this report.

Sincerely,

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