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## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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To the St. Louis Site Remediation Task Force:

The Department of Natural Resources is planning to participate on the alternative sites subgroup of the Task Force. The Task Force may decide to pursue an effort to site a facility in Missouri outside of the St. Louis area. If so, we will hold a unique position on the Task Force because of our responsibility to address statewide environmental concerns. Therefore, it is important to clearly state our role with the Task Force on this subject.

The Department of Natural Resources will provide technical input but neither supports nor opposes the effort of the Task Force to look for alternative sites. We will neither propose nor select a disposal site. To ensure adequate protection of human health and the environment, we will provide technical criteria and baseline geologic information, and conduct a general evaluation of proposals made by the Task Force.

Regarding the St. Louis Airport Site, the Department has not opposed the use of that site for a disposal facility. However, there are still questions regarding the technical suitability of that site. The Department has provided review and comment to the Department of Energy, and will continue to do so if the site is to be considered further.

We look forward to participating with the Task Force in any way possible to help with this difficult undertaking.

Sincerely,

HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM

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## ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

for the St. Louis Site, Missouri



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