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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

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Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program

SUBJECT: Response to Comments on the Fourth Quarter Calendar Year 2001 Quarterly Progress Report

Ms. Jill Groboski
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Dear Ms. Groboski:

This letter provides our response to your February 20, 2002 letter regarding activities on St. Louis Airport Site Vicinity Property 24 (VP-24) in the Fourth Quarter Calendar Year 2001 Federal Facilities Agreement (FFA) Report. Sampling at VP-24 will be listed in the First Quarter Calendar Year 2002 (1Q CY02) FFA Report.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) strives to keep the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the State of Missouri, and our stakeholders informed of site activities. When developing the report, the USACE follows the requirements specified in the 1990 Federal Facilities Agreement. Major activities and primary/secondary document progress are included in the narrative of the quarterly reports. All sampling data, recovered and validated within a quarter, are also contained in every FFA Report. The status of minor activities and the document development process prior to the release of the draft final version for regulatory review are presented during the biweekly conference calls between your agency, EPA, Mallinckrodt and USACE. These minor or incomplete tasks may not be included in the quarterly progress reports.

Some sampling of VP-24 was conducted before December 31, 2001; however, the data was not validated until the first quarter. Additional sampling on this property occurred in the first quarter. Since the data was validated during the first quarter of calendar year 2002, this data will be provided in the 1Q CY02 FFA Report's Sample Summary. Please note that the inclusion of data in the report should not be interpreted as USACE agreement with the position stated in your letter regarding long-term stewardship. Rather, it reflects the USACE's commitment to keeping our stakeholders informed of site activities.

Should you have any comments or questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact Dr. Gregory Hempen at (314) 260-3939.

Sincerely,

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