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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Sharon Cotner
Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Project
Department of the Army
St. Louis District, Corps of Engineers
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Dear Ms. Cotner:

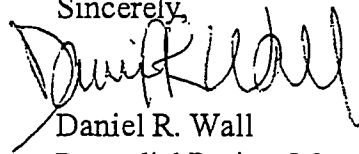
Re: Federal Facility Agreement, St. Louis and Hazelwood, MO FUSRAP Sites
EPA Region VII Docket No. VII-90-F-0005

In August 1998, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) submitted a revised project schedule for completion of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the North County Site. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region VII (EPA) considers this schedule to be the operative schedule pursuant to the above-referenced Federal Facility Agreement (FFA). This schedule called for the USACE to submit the Draft Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan (Draft FS/PP) to EPA for review and comment by November 9, 1999, leading to a final ROD by December 27, 2000. We are concerned that further delay in submitting the Draft FS/PP will result in delay of the final ROD.

We understand that the USACE is working through complex issues on the Draft FS/PP. Knowing this, EPA has been willing to extend informally the deadline for the Draft FS/PP for a limited time to allow the USACE to focus its efforts on the Draft FS/PP, with the expectation that EPA would be receiving the Draft FS/PP very soon. However, we are now at the point where EPA believes it is appropriate for the USACE to submit a request for an extension pursuant to Section XXI of the FFA if the USACE wants to modify the August 1998 schedule. The request should provide the information specified in Paragraph XXI.A. of the FFA, including the timetable or deadline or schedule the USACE seeks to extend, the length of the extension sought, the good cause for the extension, and any related timetable and deadline or schedule that would be affected if the extension were granted. EPA will consider a request for an extension as timely under Paragraph XXI.G. of the FFA if EPA receives a good faith request in writing within 21 days of the USACE's receipt of this letter.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter. Please call me at (913) 551-7710 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel R. Wall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Daniel" being more prominent than the last name "Wall".

Daniel R. Wall
Remedial Project Manager

cc: Larry Erickson, MDNR