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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

October 29, 2002

Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program

Ms. Elaine Seele Missouri American Water Company 535 North New Ballas Road St. Louis, Missouri 63141

Dear Ms. Seele:

Please find enclosed a report regarding the responses of FUSRAP personnel to work performed at the intersection of Pershall Road and Polson Lane to repair a water main break on October 19, 2002. This report provides a formal summary of the following information: work site description; radiological support summary; field survey and soil sample data; an explanation of the data; and the dose assessment with the dose estimate for personnel at the work site.

If you need any additional information regarding this report, please contact me at (314) 260-3930.

Sincerely,

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FUSRAP Area Engineer

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Enclosure

Missouri-American Water Company Water Main Break on Pershall Road

Job Synopsis: At approximately 0800 hours on October 19, 2002 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers directed Shaw E&I to provide utility support for work being performed at the intersection of Pershall Road and Polson Lane. A radiation protection technician was dispatched to support Missouri-American Water Company during a water main repair at this location.

In order to repair the water main break, the utility needed to excavate the area using a backhoe. As the hole around the break was widened the radiation protection technician performed a radiological survey with a Sodium-Iodide (NaI) detector of the excavation soils. All readings were at background levels. A soil sample was collected for analysis (i.e., sample number UTW27488). The sample was taken 5-6 feet below ground surface from the floor of the hole. The laboratory analyses indicated thorium-230/-232, radium-226, and uranium-238 concentrations at background levels.

The Missouri-American Water Company foreman was informed that no radiological controls would be necessary and the soil could be handled as normal. The radiation protection technician surveyed the Missouri-American Water Company crew along with all of the tools and equipment used. All items were found to be free of contamination (SLAPS Survey Log #02-10-223). The operations were completed on October 20, 2002 at about 1400 hours.

Table 1 presents the results of the laboratory analyses of the soil samples. The soil concentrations shown in the table are the total concentrations for each radionuclide, including the contribution from background radiation. Table 1 also gives the GPS coordinates (MO State Plane) for the sample taken during the course of the job.

Table 1. Soil Sample Summary

Sample Number	Daté Collected	Th-230	Th-230 MDA	Ra-226	Ra-226 MDA	U-238	U-238, MDA	The second second	ximate dinates Easting
UTW27488	10/19/02	2.74	2.04	0.71	0.03	0.57	0.21	1071587	863619

Dose Assessment: A survey of the area using a microrem meter indicated no levels above background, which was supported by the laboratory results. This survey data, combined with the observed sample data, resulted in a 0.0 mRem dose estimate for all personnel working on this job.

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