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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program Project Office

Mr. Gary Settle Southwestern Bell 402 North Third, 1st Floor St. Charles, Missouri 63301

Dear Mr. Settle:

The St. Louis District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has prepared two Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) documents for your review and comment. These documents support the removal of residual radioactive waste material at the Hazelwood Interim Storage Site (HISS) and the St. Louis Airport Site (SLAPS). Attached is a draft copy of the HISS EE/CA. A draft copy of the SLAPS EE/CA was forwarded to you last week.

In the HISS EE/CA, two alternatives are assessed in addition to the "no action" alternative that is required under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) as the baseline to which all alternatives are to be compared. The first alternative proposes to remove contaminated soil, store below criteria soils on HISS for potential reuse as backfill in HISS subsurface and ship contaminated soils off site for commercial disposal. This alternative assumes a significant amount of soil will be below the selected criteria. The second alternative proposes the same actions as the first except this one assumes minimal quantities of soil will be below selected criteria. Both alternatives outlined in the enclosed EE/CA will result in a significant step forward in the cleanup of the St. Louis Sites.

Written comments may be submitted to the FUSRAP Project Office now through April 9<sup>th</sup> for the HISS EE/CA. A public meeting on both EE/CAs will be held on March 17, 1998 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Hazelwood Civic Center, 8969 Dunn Road, Hazelwood, Missouri. A poster session will be held starting at 6:00 p.m. with the formal presentation starting at 7:30 p.m. followed by a question and answer period. We look forward to your participation in this review process.

Sincerely.

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FUSRAP Program Manager

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