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Mr. Robert F. Boland Environmental Program Manager Mallinckrodt Specialty Chemicals Company 16305 Swingley Ridge Drive Chesterfield, Missouri 63017

Dear Mr. Boland:

## DOE CRITERIA FOR REMOVAL ACTIONS AT THE ST. LOUIS DOWNTOWN SITE.

At our meeting on January 6, we discussed the circumstances under which the Department of Energy (DOE) would consider using Department funds to undertake an interim removal action at the St. Louis Downtown Site (SLDS). It has always been DOE's position that it would only undertake removal actions that meet the Department's long term cleanup objectives for the site. These specific objectives include:

- An interim cleanup measure is clearly consistent with the ultimate cleanup objectives for the site;
- 2) Performance of an interim cleanup measure is an efficient use of federal funds in the context of the funding required to implement the final remedy for the site; and
- Adequate onsite interim storage capacity is provided for those materials.

Specific Mallinckrodt requests for DOE assistance in excavating or managing residual radioactivity at the site will be evaluated against these criteria. In those situations where an interim removal action does meet these criteria, the Department will seek to allocate funding for that work within the constraints of the annual Congressional budget allocations and funding priorities for FUSRAP.

Should you have further questions regarding this matter, please call me at (615) 576-9634.

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cc: D. Wall, EPA