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EM-421 (W. A. Williams, 903-8149)

SUBJECT:

Authorization for Remedial Action at the Former Beryllium Production Facility in Luckey, Ohio

TO:

Manager, DOE Oak Ridge Field Office

This is to notify you that the site of the former beryllium production facility in Luckey, Ohio, is designated for remedial action under the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP). This notification does not constitute a FUSRAP baseline change control approval. Approval of the baseline change will be accomplished through the normal baseline change control procedures.

This site was used by the former Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) as a government-owned, contractor-operated beryllium production plant from the late 1940s until the mid 1950s. An environmental survey of the site found radioactive contamination in excess of Department of Energy guidelines in several areas of the facility. In addition, beryllium concentrations in the soil at the site are well above background. The need for remedial action for the beryllium and other chemicals is not known, and further investigation of the site will be required to determine whether remedial action is needed for the chemical contamination from the prior AEC activities.

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