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**FORMERLY UTILIZED SITES REMEDIAL ACTION PROGRAM**

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## **REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION, FEASIBILITY STUDY, & PROPOSED PLAN RELEASED FOR FUSRAP BLISS & LAUGHLIN SITE**

BUFFALO -- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Buffalo District (USACE), has issued the Remedial Investigation, Feasibility Study, & Proposed Plan for cleanup of low-level radioactively contaminated material at the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) former Bliss & Laughlin Site for public comment.

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The former Bliss and Laughlin Site is located at 110 Hopkins Street, Buffalo, New York.

The former Bliss & Laughlin Steel Company performed machining and straightening operations on uranium rods for National Lead of Ohio. In 1952 uranium rods were shipped to Bliss & Laughlin Steel Company for machining. The former Bliss & Laughlin Site consists of a single large building. Several areas on the floor and three overhead rafters have been identified as having radioactivity above regulatory guidelines. The contamination is fixed and poses no danger to employees at the facility.

The preferred cleanup remedy for the former Bliss & Laughlin Site is Alternative 3, which is decontamination of the building. This alternative is protective of human health and the environment and eliminates the continuing costs for monitoring and periodic reviews. Low-level radioactive waste generated during remedial activities will be disposed of at an appropriate existing licensed or permitted disposal facility. This alternative is believed to provide the best balance among the alternatives that were evaluated for the site.

The public comment period on the Proposed Plan is from September 28, 1998 to October 28, 1998. Written comments will be accepted if postmarked by October 28, 1998, and should be sent to the USACE FUSRAP Public Information Center, 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, New York 14207-3199. The Remedial Investigation, Feasibility, Study & Proposed Plan is available for review in the Administrative Record File at the USACE FUSRAP Information Center located at 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, New York, and the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library Dudley Branch, 2010 South Park Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

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