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Allen D. Roos, Project Manager U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 100 West Hunter Avenue Maywood, NJ 07607

Re: Draft Post Remedial Action Report Pompton Plains Crossroad Right-of-Way Property

Wayne Interim Storage Site Wayne Township, Passaic County

Dear Mr. Roos:

On September 22, 2004, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) received the *Draft* Post Remedial Action Report for the Pompton Plains Crossroad Right-of-Way Property dated July 2004.

Upon review NJDEP has the following minor comments.

1. Section 1.1 - Wayne Interim Storage Site Background, page 1-2

The first paragraph should read: Th-232 nuclear decay emits ionization ionizing radiation primarily as alpha particles... U-238 nuclear decay emits ionization ionizing radiation as gamma rays...

2. Section 1.3 - Site Characterization, page 1-3

Should there be another subsection 1.3.3 Surface Scanning?

3. Section 2.1 - Record of Decision Criteria, page 2-1

Given that the Record of Decision included cleanup levels for both radionuclides and metals (both are included in Table 2-1), the Report must include a discussion of metals contamination at the Right-of-Way Property. The Report must provide the justification for not collecting or analyzing soil samples for metals at this property.

Section 4.1.1.1 - Remedial Action Support Surveys, page 4-2

The first paragraph should read: The entire survey unit was surveyed with a two inch by two inch sodium iodide detector coupled to a ratemeter/scaler, or separately, a microremroentgen (microR) exposure rate meter.

- 5. Section 4.1.4.2 Air Monitoring Results, External Gamma Dose Rate, page 4-9
 - It is stated that "The highest exposure rate from an environmental monitoring station was 2.8 mrem above background." The time period to which this is referring must be specified.
- 6. Section 6.2.1.2 Accuracy, page 6-6

This section needs a last sentence to summarize if accuracy goals were met.

7. Section 6.2.1.6 - Comparability, page 6-7

This section also needs a sentence to summarize if comparability goals were met.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, you may contact me at (609) 633-1494.

Sincerely,

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