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Hi Marjey,

It was good chatting with you this morning to get the Whittaker update. By coincidence Kevin Taylor called me just after I spoke with you to let me know about the inspection as well. I have a message in with our Pittsburgh office to see if they can support the inspection or not. If they can not, I will see if I can arrange my schedule to be there. Work schedule wise I should be able to pull it off, but my wife just delivered our first child 3 weeks ago and I would have to make sure everything is ok there.

Also I spoke with Jerry Rafeew from DEP Meadville who is the main point of contact for hazardous material (non-rad) issues on the site. I wanted to update him on the situation and also discuss with him the wetlands issue. He confirmed with me that DEP wetlands people have been onsite to discuss the situation and they have given the ok for them to continue the work from DEP's standpoint, but obviously they have to Meet NRC requirements too. Jerry faxed me a letter from the watershed management group that I have digitized and attached to this email for your information. As you address the issue in an EA, feel free to use the contact information in the letter for Ed Orris to ask them questions. Or as always, feel free to contact me, and I will do my best to get answers to your questions or connect you with the right person. I will also do my best to make sure the EA gets a quick turnaround to keep that delay to a minimum. If you have any questions, please let me know. I will let you know as soon as I have confirmed a DEP person that may accompany you to the site.

Bryan

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Whittaker Corporation  
1955 N. Surveyor Ave.  
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Revisions  
Whittaker Corporation  
- Mercer Alloys (Whittaker) Site  
DEP File No. EA43-06-004, WL4304602  
Pymatuning Township, Mercer County

Dear Mr. Lardiere:

This is in response to a Restoration Plan Revision submitted by your consultant Kevin Taylor of Energy Solutions, LLC regarding revisions to the Restoration Plan for the Mercer Alloys (Whittaker) Site at the Reynolds Industrial Park in Pymatuning Township, Mercer County. The Restoration Plan Revision was received by the Department on February 20, 2005. The original waiver request was approved by the Department on September 9, 2004.

The original remediation plan included the removal of radioactive slag and slag-like material from the floodway of the Shenango River based on on-site characterization and hand removal of chunks of radioactive slag from wetlands in the floodway of the Shenango River based on on-site characterization. The site is a waste and slag storage area regulated under U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Source Material License No. SMA-1018 for the possession of source material and the performance of specified surveillance, maintenance, and control activities in support of decontamination and decommissioning. The Restoration Plan Revision proposes to excavate radioactive slag from a from wetlands within the floodway of the Shenango, and restoration of the disturbed wetlands.

The proposed Restoration Plan Revision is approved and included as part of restoration waiver EA43-06-004.

Mr. Eric Lardiere

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If you should have any questions concerning this matter, please call Edward Orris at 814-332-6152.

Sincerely,



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Permits and Technical Services Chief  
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