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Washington, D.C. 20545

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Honorable Joseph M. Hendrie, Chairman
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Chairman:

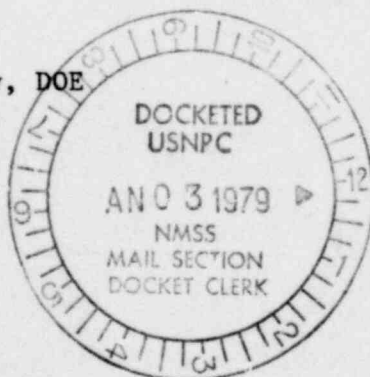
Please pardon the delay in formally responding to your letter of April 24, 1978, to Deputy Secretary O'Leary, which proposed use of the raffinate pit area at the Weldon Spring Site for storage of material from Latty Avenue, Hazelwood, Missouri.

Since we received your letter, there have been numerous discussions between members of our staffs for the purpose of identifying an acceptable solution to the Latty Avenue waste disposal problem. At this time it appears that the disposal alternative being pursued involving return of the material to the St. Louis Airport Fill Site will solve this problem. Of course, it follows that all aspects of the transfer from the cleanup of Latty Avenue to the stabilization at the Airport Fill Site must be accomplished in an environmentally acceptable manner.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Assistant Secretary
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cc: J. F. O'Leary
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