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Dear Don:

Thank you for your participation in the recent Decommissioning Criteria Workshop in Kansas City, Missouri. We felt our major objectives* were met.

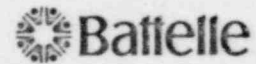
Hopefully we listened well and will be able to incorporate the many concerns expressed during that workshop. Some of those concerns are listed below to refresh your memory:

- DOE policy needs to include a specific dose limit for decommissioned sites
- Don't set the dose limit too low, or it won't be achievable (or verifiable)
- The Guide needs to be flexible
- Guidance on how to apply statistics, how conservative to make dose calculations, and how to achieve ALARA
- Should certification include an independent contractor survey?
- How to demonstrate decommissioning compliance

Since it is our desire to make the radiological Guide responsive to the needs of all potential users (DOE, DOE contractors and field offices), we want to be sure we've included your specific concerns. If yours are not listed above, please forward them to me at your earliest convenience.

As I tried to summarize at the workshop, we anticipate a complete first draft being submitted to DCE (Div. of Operational & Environmental Safety)

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this summer, incorporating their comments by fall and submitting a revised draft for formal transmittal to the field offices and contractors for review early in FY-1981.

Thanks again for your attendance and participation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale Denham".

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* To exchange decommissioning experience and to present an overview of a draft Guide for DOE Decommissioning Operations, with emphasis on site characterization methods and problems.