



CAMBRIDGE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

January 7, 1994

Secretary
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Docketing and Services Branch
Washington, D. C. 20555

RE: Decommissioning of Shieldalloy Metallurgical Corporation's
Facility in Cambridge, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

This letter is submitted to express the support of the Cambridge Area Chamber of Commerce for on-site stabilization of and disposal of the low-level radioactive slag that exists at this facility.

After spending several hours touring the area, and listening to the experts, we believe that SMC's recommendation would be in the best interest of all concerned.

I have also spent several hours talking with employees, both active and retired, and everyone's story was consistent. SMC has done nothing wrong, and is presently following the proper guidelines to decommissioning the slag piles.

SMC is currently developing a business plan to emerge from Chapter 11 bankruptcy. It appears that if SMC is required to decommission the slag piles in any method beyond the least cost on-site method, the Cambridge facility will close and some one hundred jobs will be lost. This will truly be devastating to the area -- more so than any low levels of contamination that have been here over twenty years with no known harmful impact.

We urge the NRC to allow on-site disposal at the Cambridge Shieldalloy facility.

Sincerely,

H. William (Bill) Davis
President

HWD:sjm
cc/Charles Montague

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