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Mr. Robert Pierson
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Office of Nuclear Material Safety & Safeguards
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Pierson:

Subject: Battelle Memorial Institute Columbus

Operations Decommissioning Plan (TAC No. L 21468) Docket No. 70-8, License SNM-7

Battelle Memorial Institute (BMI) has received your letter of 12/6/93 and is pleased that your organization has found our Decommissioning Plan "adequate and acceptable". In your letter you also requested clarification of the phrase "remedial action consistent with NRC-approved release criteria" which is found in Section 2.1.3.4.4 Soil Remediation. The original intent of this phrase was to reference the release criteria presented in the Decommissioning Plan itself, which of course requires NRC approval and does meet the criteria in the Branch Technical Position of 10/23/81. BMI agrees that this intent is not clearly stated and has revised this section. Attached to this letter is a revised page 2-18 to be inserted into the Decommissioning Plan.

If you have any further questions on this matter please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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