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December 23, 1998

Mr. Clyde Shelton President Shelwell Services, Inc. 447 Lakeshore Drive, West Hebron, OH 43025

SUBJECT: SPECIAL INSPECTION AT SHELWELL SERVICES, INC. (NRC INSPECTION REPORT 030-05798/98001(DNMS))

Dear Mr. Shelton:

This refers to the special inspection conducted on November 2 through 5, 1998, at your facility located at 645 East Main Street, Hebron, Ohio. The purpose of the inspection was to obtain radiological survey data, such that your facilities may be evaluated for release in connection with your license termination request dated January 13, 1998. In a letter dated August 14, 1998, the NRC provided the unrestricted use criteria for the Shelwell site and listed other actions that the licensee was required to complete before the license could be terminated.

This letter also refers to the results of radiological surveys conducted during the inspection by U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and State of Ohio inspectors, and by NRC's contractor - Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE). At the conclusion of the onsite portion of the November 2-5, 1998, inspection, the preliminary findings were discussed with Mr. Maurice Shelton and Mr. Keith Moon. A subsequent telephone briefing was conducted with Mr. Moon on December 22, 1998, to inform him of the preliminary ORISE findings, and to discuss scheduling of the NRC's follow up surveys of the former office trailer and Building 1, and arrangements for a Public Meeting scheduled for January 13, 1999.

A copy of our report of this inspection is enclosed for your information. Based on the inspection findings and the results of the ORISE survey, we have made a preliminary determination that the requirements of the August 14, 1998, NRC letter have been met. The final NRC determination regarding release will be made following the public meeting and preparation of an environmental assessment. If a final determination is made to release the facility, the license will be terminated or amended.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

/s/ P. L. Hiland for

Roy J. Caniano, Acting Director Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

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Enclosure: Inspection Report 030-05798/98001(DNMS)

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