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Dear Mr. Themelis:

I am responding to your November 7, 1986 letter relating the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's interest in retaining the Area C portion of the Canonsburg processing site. As discussed in our August 25, 1986 letter on the completion of remedial actions at the site, we have some reservations with an unconditioned release for unrestricted use. This concern has been reiterated in telephone conversations between our respective staffs.

Specifically, we feel it advisable to place some land-use restrictions which would accomplish two main goals:

- ° Prevent any subsurface intrusion until the ground-water monitoring program establishes no significant contaminated ground-water flow beneath Area C from the disposal site.
- ° Protect the integrity of the well located in Area C to be used for surveillance and monitoring purposes.

At such time when a determination is made indicating the absence of a ground-water problem, the well may be properly closed, and the Area C land annotation may be withdrawn.

It is my understanding that R. Richey of your staff is presently discussing this issue with J. Yusko of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources, as part of a clarification for NRC's review of the final certification package.

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Should you have any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact Giorgio Gnugnoli of my staff at (FTS) 427-4788.

Sincerely,

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