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RE: Response to Comments on the Methods for Conducting Human Health Risk Assessment and Risk Evaluations at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant

Dear Ms. Wiehle and Mr. Bradburne:

US DOE submitted the Response to Comments on the Methods for Conducting Human Health Risk Assessment and Risk Evaluations to Ohio EPA for review on September 22, 2011 via e-mail. All the responses to comments are adequate except for the issue pertaining to the online calculator. As noted in our August 22, 2011 conditional approval letter to US DOE, until we have the ability to review the online calculator to supplement the equations provided in Appendix B, Ohio EPA could not approve of the document in accordance with the requirements of the Ohio Consent Decree. According to your recent submittal the earliest date for the online calculator would be available for review is October 21. Once the online calculator is available, Ohio EPA will require 30 days for review as provided for in the Ohio Consent Decree to provide US DOE with any additional comments or concerns pertaining to the information in the document.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please do not hesitate to contact me at 740-380-5289 or maria.galanti@epa.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,

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