Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP)

ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

for Niagara Falls Storage Site



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Attention:

Dave Feldman

Subject:

FUSRAP - Transmittal of FUSRAP Community Relations

Weekly News Clippings

Dear Dave:

Enclosed are copies of our weekly news clippings for the week ending Friday, July 1, 1994.

We appreciated receiving a copy of the draft stakeholder analysis from the center. Since completion of the project is at hand do you still wish to receive the clippings? If so, we will continue to do so, but if you no longer need them let us know as of what date and we will discontinue processing the clippings.

If you have questions or need additional information please call me at 576-5034.

Sincerely,

Sandra W. Plant

Community Relations - Manager

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Enclosures:

FUSRAP Weekly

News Clippings



Bechtel National, Inc.

"I saw it in the Lewiston Youngstown Metro Community News"

JUNE 12, 1994

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By BOB KOSTOFF Metro Staff Reporter

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