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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF
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April 30, 2001

MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, GREAT LAKES AND OHIO RIVER DIVISION

SUBJECT: Former Guterl Specialty Steel Corporation

1. The Buffalo District recommends that the former Guterl Specialty Steel Corporation (GSSC) site be included in the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) through the annual President's Budget submission and the enclosed Preliminary Assessment/Site Inspection be approved as the basis to proceed with a Remedial Investigation, the next step in the CERCLA process. We have coordinated the Preliminary Assessment with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and they concur with this recommendation.

2. Also enclosed in the Budget Estimate for the GSSC site. The estimate is presented in two categories:

     a. Task Summary – detailing the estimated cost of the components involved in each step of the CERCLA process.

     b. Cost per Fiscal Year – detailing the estimated cost per fiscal year and the estimated schedule with the affects of inflation.

3. The Buffalo District requests approval to initiate the Remedial Investigation in FY 2002. The funds required to complete this task are in the amount of $2,331,160.00, as stated in the attached Budget Estimate. The Remedial Investigation will further characterize radioactive residuals, resulting from activities associated with the nation's early atomic energy program.

4. Based on the information available from the Preliminary Assessment/Site Inspection, there is a high probability that remedial action will be required at the former GSSC site. The Buffalo District recommends that the GSSC site be added to the FUSRAP program and that funds be provided in the FY 2002 budget, as shown in the attached budget estimate, and scheduled for future years to execute this project.

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