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Dear Ms. Pauley:

This letter is in response to your letter dated September 22, 2014, cosigned by Ms. Gail Vasterling, Director Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, requesting top priority funding to provide for the rapid completion of the Formerly Used Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) projects in St. Louis, Missouri. I apologize for the delay in responding.

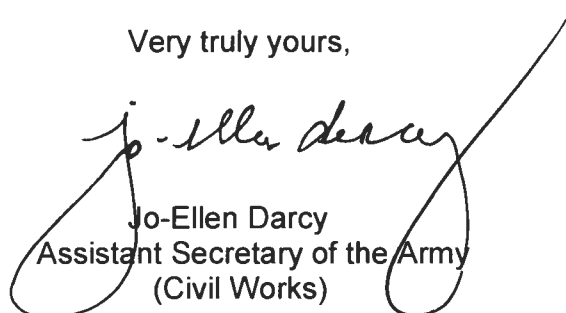
You indicated that the potential exposure and movement of contaminated materials is of grave concern to the State of Missouri. The United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is also concerned with the timely clean up of the St. Louis FUSRAP sites as well as other FUSRAP sites around the country. If you have a concern with potential exposure or movement of identified contamination from a specific area within the St. Louis sites, I urge you to share your concerns with the Corps' St. Louis District FUSRAP team, so that appropriate actions can be taken.

The Corps is executing FUSRAP in accordance with the investigation and response framework of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, and the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan. Where appropriate, temporary or interim protection measures have been developed and utilized to protect public health and the environment against the possible exposure to or movement of contamination.

I assure you the St. Louis sites were given every consideration in the formulation of the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget, along with many other worthwhile programs, projects and activities across the Nation in competition for limited Federal resources.

I am sending an identical letter to Ms. Vasterling. Thank you for your interest in the Army's Formerly Used Sites Remedial Action Program.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jo-Ellen Darcy", is written over the typed name and title. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Jo-Ellen Darcy
Assistant Secretary of the Army
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