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Liz,

MEDEP has reviewed the draft OU9 Proposed Plan. We have only the following comment.

Step 4, Characterize the Risk, p. 7. The PP states that PAHs potentially under Building 62 Annex are not at concentrations that would pose unacceptable risk due to vapor intrusion. This begs the question that if you don't even know if there is ash under the building then how do you know what concentrations would be. The answer is mentioned in the Feasibility Study in Section 1.6.4, p. 1-13. So the draft PP should say something like, "Specific PAHs that could be released as vapors from soil and move into the air inside buildings have not been found in the ash-contaminated soil at OU9. Therefore, if ash is present under Building 62 Annex it is not expected to pose unacceptable risk due to vapor intrusion to people working in the building."

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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