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Mr. Roy Spears NEPA Document Manager National Energy Technology Laboratory 3610 Collins Ferry Road P.O. Box 880 Morgantown, West Virginia 26507-0880

Dear Mr. Spears:

This is in regard to the request for the Department of the Interior's comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Kentucky Pioneer Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC) Demonstration Project in Clark County, Kentucky.

This is to inform you that the Department will have comments, but will be unable to reply within the allotted time. Please consider this letter as a request for an extension of time in which to

Our comments should be available by January 25, 2002.

Sincerely,

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The comment period was extended through January 25, 2002.

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