June 21, 2002

Mr. David Allen
US Department of Energy
SE-30-N, PO Box 2001
Oak Ridge, TN 37831

Dear Mr. Allen,

I am writing on behalf of the Seal Township, Pike County, Ohio, Trustees to oppose the DOE bringing in wastes from other sites to store at Piketon. The Piketon Gaseous Diffusion Plant is partially located in Seal Township. I am also a Board Member of the Southern Ohio Diversification Initiative.

DOE has called this waste a valuable material, but cannot explain how or why it is valuable. Futhermore, by bringing this waste to Piketon, 157 other sites will be cleaned up. We want to know why 157 other communities are more important than Piketon. This past weekend our community held a Relay for Life to raise money for the American Cancer Society. My wife is a cancer survivor. I cannot in good conscience support any more cancer-causing wastes, or material as DOE claims, coming to the Piketon site for storage.

I do support projects that accelerate the cleanup of the Piketon site and provide a safe environment for our residents. The DOE should build and operate the DUF6 plant and accelerate cleanup of the lands and buildings, such as the 340 acres SODI tried to get for economic development. These projects benefit the community by creating jobs and cleaning up our environment. Storing waste here for 20 years does not.

Thank you,

Larry E. Scaggs

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