A public comment period will begin September 27 and end October 26, 1993 for three time-critical removal actions at the Idaho Chemical Processing Plant at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory.

The following projects, which began in late August and will last until the end of 1993, will eliminate the threat of release to the environment:

1) Removal of radioactively contaminated sludge from a settling basin, settling vault, and tank. The contaminated sludge originated from a filtration system used for basin water where fuel rods were stored.

2) Flushing of a plugged vessel off gas line associated with the Calcine Pilot Plant. The line became plugged in 1986 with simulated calcine material containing hazardous substances and was subsequently capped and left in place, but requires flushing to eliminate a threat of release to the environment.

3) Capping of two drain lines which collect storm runoff from the top of bin set no. 3 and discharge radioactively contaminated drain water to the soil. The contamination in the lines and soil came from a release of radioactively contaminated dolomite.

Written comments may be sent to:

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