

## STATE OF NEVADA

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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March 24, 2010

Matt Paque Tronox LLC 3301 NW 150th Oklahoma City, OK 73134

Re:

Tronox LLC (TRX)

NDEP Facility ID #H-000539

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Response to:

Data Validation Summary Report, Phase B Investigation Groundwater, Tronox LLC,

Henderson, Nevada

Dated: February 25, 2010

Dear Mr. Paque,

The NDEP has received and reviewed TRX's above-identified Deliverable and provides comments in Attachment A. A revised Deliverable should be submitted based on the comments found in Attachment A. Please advise the NDEP by March 29, 2010 regarding the schedule for this resubmittal. TRX should additionally provide an annotated response-to-comments letter as an appendix to the revised submittal. Please contact the undersigned with any questions at sharbour@ndep.nv.gov or (702) 486-2850 extension 240.

Sincerely,

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## Attachment A

- 1. EDD, NDEP has the following comments:
  - a. The units and values for the MDL, SQL, and PQL fields in the EDD need to be reviewed. For example, there are many <code>mdl\_pgl\_units</code> fields with a value of g/L. This is observed for all cyanide and most if not all metals values, yet these units seem unlikely. Please review and revise as necessary.
  - b. In some cases the SQL is much greater than the PQL; however, this may be related to the different units as the units for the SQL indicator are also not explicit in the EDD. TRX should clarify whether the SQL units are always equal to the *result\_units* field. Please note that this should be clarified in the DVSR as well.
  - c. Ideally, the EDD should identify the units for each DQI. Please revise as necessary.