

STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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July 6, 2010

Matt Paque Tronox LLC PO BOX 268859 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, Shallow Supplemental Soil Sampling in Areas I and II.

Tronox LLC, Henderson Nevada

Dated: June 15, 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 by July 21, 2010 based on the comments found in Attachment A. TRX should additionally provide an annotated response-to-comments letter as part of the revised Deliverable.

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. Table 1-5, this table is missing the holding time requirements for Perchlorate. Please revise.
- 2. EDD Database, NDEP has the following comments:
 - a. General format comments:
 - i. Clarify the difference between the results: Table and the results V4: Table.
 - ii. The validation reason table is missing.
 - iii. The field name "percent_moisture" in the samples table has two underscores, this should be percent_moisture.
 - b. Please address the following:
 - i. Results and Samples Tables, sample_id_field EB121109-SO-A1 found in results table is missing from samples table
 - ii. The results: Table has 4478 results where validation_stage is null, this is not the case for the results V4: Table.
 - iii. In the results: Table, the final_validation_reason_code and final_validation_qualifier are always null, this is not the case for the results V4: Table.
 - iv. For both the results: Table and the results V4: Table, there are 103 results where sql and pql are null
 - v. For both the results: Table and the results V4: Table, there are 77 non-detect results have null result values
 - vi. There are many results which have a final_validation_qualifier but no reason code. These all appear to be non-detects, (results is < SQL, detect flag = F). This requirement for either both fields null or both fields populated is consistent with the latest EDD Guidance. We suggest a new reason code be added that will apply to these true non-detects.