



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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September 1, 2010

Matt Paque
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Re: **Tronox LLC (TRX)**
NDEP Facility ID #H-000539
Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Response to:
*Data Validation Summary Report, Pre-Confirmation Sampling RZ-D, Tronox LLC,
Henderson, Nevada, Revised Report, EDD only*
Dated: August 26, 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 September 8, 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 775-687-9332.

Sincerely,

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Attachment A

1. Response to comments (RTC) 1, NDEP observed that there are still 48 records in which the results reported and sql units differ (uk/kg versus pg/g). All of these are associated with surrogate in the organochlorine pesticide analysis. Since the surrogate sql is not used, these fields do not need to be revised.
2. There are 172 records (all for asbestos) where the validation_reason_code (i.e. final_validation_reason_codes) is NULL and the final_validation_qualifier is NOT NULL. In many cases the final_validation_qualifier is U, indicating the result is a non-detect, and this is consistent with the reported value. This is acceptable as long as the detect flat = F, as is true in this case. However, there are 40 of the 172 records where the final_validation_qualifier is J. The prior EDD did not have a final_validation_qualifier for these same results. For records that are detects, and also have a final_validation_qualifier, a final_validation_reason_codes field should be populated. Please provide a reason code or explanation for the J qualified asbestos result.